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## HUNDRED ENTOMBED.

An Explosion in the Mines at Virginia City, Near Birmingham Monday

BADLY BURNED AND MUTILATED

One Hundred and One Bodies Rescued

from Awful Catastrophe Up to

Sunday Morning.

Bessemer, Ala.—By a "dust" explosion in the Virginia mines, 17 miles southwest of Birmingham, at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon, between 110 and 135 miners, negroes and whites, are entombed 700 feet below the surface, and probably none will live to tell the story of the disaster.

The mines are the property of the Alabama Steel and Wire Company, known as the Schuler property.

Monday afternoon the day shift prepared the last shot, which is at 4 o'clock, and some one below the third level made the fatal mistake of overcharging or undercharging a shot. Either of these will cause the dust accumulated about the shot to ignite and result in the explosion. From the little beginning the explosion came, dealing death and destruction.

There has been considerable delay as the rescuers have had to rebuild the props which support the roof of the main slope. The force of the explosion tore away these props.

The force of the explosion was so great that rocks, rafters, sticks and other missiles were hurled 350 to 400 yards from the mouth of the shaft. The tracks leading into the mines were covered with dirt and rafters which formed the props.

It is stated by witnesses that the flames from the explosion leaped more than a hundred feet into the air.

At frequent intervals members of the rescue party are brought to the mouth of the shaft overcome by the gases and fire damp at the place where the rescuers have reached.

State Mine Inspector Gray Monday night explained the probable cause of the explosion. He stated that a "windy shot" and a "dust" explosion were similar. A windy shot is when the force of the explosion blows outward and creates a great deal of dust and also raises all the dust in the room. In this dust there is more or less gas and this all explodes. The explosion spreads from room to room with awful rapidity, overtaking in a few seconds any one who might attempt to escape.

"The explosion was evidently due to a 'windy shot.' This mine is one of the best ventilated mines in the district and this very fact, added to the intensity of the explosion, I do not think the bodies will be brought to the top until nearly daylight, although we may find some at any time. In my opinion there were at least 135 men in the mine at the time of the disaster, of this number at least 100 were white miners."

About 7 o'clock Wednesday night the rescuers had to come to the surface and announce that they could progress no further until they received disinfectants. The physicians at the mines were able at the time to supply a small amount of disinfectants, but the supply was limited and it was necessary to send to Bessemer for more.

Could Not Stand Stench.

The "damp," the fumes resulting from the explosion and the burning are increasing, and the workmen are progressing slowly. Late Wednesday afternoon four of the rescue party had to be brought to the surface, unable longer to stand the strain of the stench and the "damp." Two of them were rapidly becoming unconscious and the physicians had to hasten to their assistance. They recovered rapidly after they were brought to the surface, but a few minutes more would have sealed their fate.

The rescuers had gone beyond the current of good air in their efforts to get to those bodies which were beyond. They failed to notice that their safety lamps were burning low and that the flame was bad, and suddenly they found themselves overcome. Others who were in the mine at work on another portion hastened to their aid and a "tip" was sent to the top to bring down a physician. Dr. Glasgow, resident physician at the mines, went down and soon the men were brought to the top, where other physicians were in attendance, and they could be given medical assistance.

Bodies were recovered rapidly until about 6 o'clock Wednesday night.

Most of these men were found in the third and fourth levels, and many of them were horribly burned and mu-

tilated, very one of the bodies were decaying rapidly and the rescuers could scarcely stay in the mines long enough to place the bodies on the "tip" and send them to the surface.

These men showed that they were near the origin of the explosion where its force was the greatest, for the skulls of some of them were literally riddled with holes and fractures. There were at least a dozen small holes in the skull of one man, and three or four fractures, showing that something had been driven against his head with enormous force.

The workers are straining every nerve to get into the "third left," for there they expect to find about forty miners and helpers. They also expect to find the greatest damage done in this level, for it was here that many think the explosion originated and was most powerful. The indications are that the explosion started on the third level and that the force of it was upwards, but at the same time the fire spread downwards towards the foot of the slope. At the bottom of the slope the timbers and props are in some places not even jarred, and many of them could easily have been pulled from their places before the explosion. But in the upper levels they are all torn down and displaced, and some of them have been driven long distances from their places.

At Third or Fourth Level.

All this points to the explosion having been strongest about the third and fourth levels, while below they are not so badly charred by the fire. The bodies found on the upper levels are also in much worse condition than those lower down. They are more badly burned and worse mutilated.

Coroner Paris empaneled his jury Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock in Bessemer.

The jury will commence its active investigation into the trouble as soon as possible, and Coroner Paris intends that it shall go down in the mines and make as thorough an investigation of the conditions as possible. He has selected several men who are capable mine men and thoroughly familiar with every detail of the work.

The coroner is having the bodies fully identified as they are brought to the surface, and then they are delivered to the families or to the undertakers to be prepared for burial. Identification becomes harder as decomposition sets in, and it is possible that some mistakes will be made, but at present it is not believed any have been made.

Three Bodies in Water.

There are three bodies in the mines which will scarcely be reached for a week or ten days. They are those of the pump, coupler and one other man who were all in the very lowest portion of the mine, which is now filled with water. The water has risen about 50 feet in the slope and it will be impossible to get it out until the piping can be repaired and the engines can commence work.

A conservative estimate of the loss to the Alabama Steel and Wire Company is \$100,000, which will have to be spent for repairs and getting the mines open again. Much new machinery will have to be put into the mines, pumps and other machinery having been ruined by the explosion and fire. Many portions will have to be bratticed again and it will require a long time to get the debris cleaned out.

It may be late Thursday night before the last of the bodies are brought to the surface, and it is even possible that the rescuers will not be able to get into some places until tomorrow. The damp is increasing and also the stench.

In the third left is where it is thought more bodies will be found than in any other level, and they are trying to get into it as soon as possible. The work will be much harder, it is believed, in this level.

The last special train sent to Bessemer arrived there about 8 o'clock Wednesday night. It contained about a dozen bodies, the last to be brought from the mines. The train will not return to the mines until this morning, as it is believed that the rescuers will not succeed in getting out many bodies until this morning.

Have Never Slept.

There are men at the mines at work this morning who have not closed their eyes to sleep since Monday afternoon, and some of them who will probably not get any sleep for a day or two to come. During all that time they have been at work, and they have proven themselves heroes in many instances.

All Identified Save One.

So far all the bodies that have reached Bessemer have been identified save one. This is the body of a negro and is supposed to be William Howard. Owing to the many mangled bodies some difficulty was expected in many instances in the identification.

organized the wheat dealers in the town of Bison, Rush county, into a trust to control the price of wheat at that place. The supreme court of the state sustained the prosecution against him and Justice Brewer's opinion upholds that verdict. He based his decision on the ground that the law was in harmony with the power of the state to control its own police affairs, and therefore not antagonistic to the federal constitution.

Anti-Trust Law Upheld.

Washington, D. C.—The validity of the Kansas anti-trust law was upheld by the supreme court of the United States in an opinion by Justice Brewer in the case of Edmund J. Smiley, plaintiff in error, vs. the state of Kansas.

Smiley in 1900 was secretary of the State Grain Dealers' Association, and the allegation in the case was that he

Birmingham, Ala.—At 12 o'clock Sunday morning 101 bodies had been taken from the Virginia mines, the scene of Monday's explosion, and the rescuers were within a short distance of eight or ten more, and expect to get them out within the next three or four hours. They are finding the bodies badly decomposed now, and large quantities of disinfectants are required before the rescuers can continue their work. All have been identified except one negro.

The work is progressing more rapidly now than it did Wednesday night, as the disinfectants are enabling the rescue parties to enter all the chambers on the various levels and proceed with their work just as rapidly as they can carry the air with them.

Relief Committee Goes to Mines.

The relief committee appointed by the Commercial club and the one from Bessemer went to the mines Thursday and commenced the work of aiding those who suffered from the explosion. The committee has about \$13,000 at its disposal and this money will be used judiciously. It is being distributed in amounts according to the need and the size of the family which needs the aid. In families where there are only one or two to be fed the committee is giving \$25 for the immediate relief, and the amounts range from that on up to \$75 as the size of the family increases.

Money Found in Clothing.

In removing the clothing from the bodies, which the undertakers carefully roll up and turn over to the bereaved, \$70 was found in the clothes of one of the Italian miners.

Relief Work Going On.

In the homes of the Birmingham district the voice of humanity has spoken in behalf of the destitute families of the dead miners at Virginia City.

The people of this vicinity are responding magnificently to the pathetic appeal.

More than 23,000 has been subscribed for the relief of the Virginia mine sufferers, and the work is going on steadily.

The relief fund which is being raised by Bessemer has up to date gone over \$4,000, and the indications are that it will reach \$5,000.

The fund that the Commercial Club of Birmingham has raised for the relief of the Virginia sufferers has reached the splendid figure of \$9,213.22. The committees are still at work, and it is expected they will further swell that amount.

The executive board of Alabama District No. 20, United Mine Workers of America, has generously appropriated \$5,000 out of the district funds to relieve the sufferers.

Killed Her Brother.

Aniston, Ala.—Death came to Alton Dale Thursday at the hands of his sister, Josie, a girl of 14 years.

Josie, who is about one year older than Alton, accidentally shot her brother, the wound proving fatal.

The accident happened while the other members of the family were at the breakfast table. The children were playing with guns owned by their father. Alton, the boy, had a single-barreled shotgun and Josie had a 22-calibre Remington rifle. They had gone through several motions with their weapons, and at the time of the fatal shooting they were snapping them in order to see which could make the loudest noise.

They thought the guns were not loaded, and little Josie was far from evil intention when, with her rifle pointed toward Alton, she caused the hammer to fall and the gun was discharged, striking the boy.

Investigation Ordered.

Montgomery, Ala.—Acting Governor Cunningham has issued an order to State Mine Inspector J. W. Gray to make a thorough investigation of the deplorable disaster at Virginia mines of Monday afternoon, whereby over 100 miners lost their lives.

The mine inspector is instructed to make a careful examination of the causes which led up to the explosion and report them in full to the governor. Mr. Gray has already proceeded to investigate the calamity, rushing to the scene soon after the news of the explosion was spread.

Mud So Bad Mules Stick Up.

Cullman, Ala.—Stock in this community has suffered a great deal on account of the very bad condition of the roads, made so by the bad weather. Herman Groffman lost a fine mule about one mile from Cullman. The mule mired up in the mud, and in his efforts to free himself burst a blood vessel and died in a short while. Gus Screws had a fine mule, which he valued at \$200, break his leg in the stiff mud. The mule was one of a matched pair worth \$400. J. M. Bright had a good mule to break a leg in about the same manner.

Kicked His Eye Out.

Decatur, Ala.—Davie Chunn, an employee of the Louisville and Nashville railroad shops, is about to lose an eye on account of a rabbit hunt the other day. While hunting rabbits in the "Black Bottoms" he shot and wound a large swamp rabbit and when he went to pick the rabbit up the rabbit kicked him in the left eye, nearly putting it out.

## ALABAMA NEWS.

Current Events Gathered as They Happen.

Shot a Burglar.

Ozark, Ala.—About midnight or 1 o'clock Wednesday morning Dr. Norris, who lives at Charlton, discovered some one in his bed chamber. He rose up immediately and a voice cried, "Throw up your hands." Dr. Norris grabbed for his pistol and fired at the intruder, upon which he fled, the doctor in hot pursuit, and firing. As the negro cleared the gate Dr. Norris fired the fifth time, the ball piercing the negro's body, and he fell to the ground. The doctor still pursued, jumping astride the negro took the would-be burglar's pistol and beat him over the head with his own gun. The negro had fired at the doctor, but his bullets flew wide of the mark.

The negro was brought to jail at Ozark, having been hit with four bullets besides the abrasions made by his own gun in the hands of Dr. Norris. He will die. The negro had three suits of fine clothes, wore patent leather shoes, had a leather bag in which to carry plunder, a full kit of burglar's tools, large bunches of keys, a dark bull's eye lantern, a Colt's 44 revolver and two big knives. He says his name is Ed Smith.

Indicted for Peonage.

Montgomery, Ala.—The United States grand jury Friday morning returned indictments against sixteen men for alleged peonage. In some of the cases white men have held white men in a state of peonage according to the report, negroes have held negroes and white men negroes. One man is charged with killing a negro held by him in trying to return him to work after escape. The jury also returns three indictments for white-capping and ten for conspiracy, but nothing can be secured about it. A morning paper prints that one of the indictments for peonage is said to be against S. D. May, sheriff of Crenshaw county, who has not been seen at his home for several weeks, and who has been checked up short in his accounts with the state and county. When asked if this was so, Assistant District Attorney Julius Stornfield said he knew nothing of it, and was at a loss to know how the report became current.

Historic Tailor's Bench.

Athens, Ala.—A. Anderson, tailor in this place, is daily using one of the most historic benches in America, it being a bench used by Andrew Johnson when a young man and working for a tailor named Sloss, who was a prominent tailor in this section in that day and time.

The old bench was found some years ago by the late Capt. R. B. Mason, and he, learning its history, bought it as a relic, and it has been in his home for many years, but the recent fire destroyed the tailor shop of Mr. Anderson, and the sons of Captain Mason tendered him the use of Andy Johnson's old tailor bench to work upon, and he is now sitting on it like the great commoner did before his greatness was discovered by the American people.

May Open Coal Mines.

Leeds, Ala.—It is learned on good authority that Colonel Henry F. De Bardeleben will open up new coal mines on some 8,000 acres of coal lands lying in the upper Cahaba coal fields near the new Seaboard Air Line railway. It is known that Colonel De Bardeleben has been making investigation and analysis of these lands for the past two years.

Burned to Death.

Florence, Ala.—Three children under a month have been burned to death in East Florence, the last victim being the 5-year-old daughter of Mrs. James Rickard. The mother of the child crossed the street on an errand, leaving her alone in a room with an open grate. She was gone but a few minutes when she returned, attracted by the screams of the little girl, who was in a mass of flames. The child's clothes were burned entirely off, and she was so badly injured that she died seven hours later.

After Insulting Negro.

Scottsboro, Ala.—A sheriff's posse is after a negro who is charged with making insulting remarks to Mrs. Lingo, the wife of a well-known farmer. The negro is said to have gone to the Lingo home when he knew the husband would not be present. When ordered to leave, he began to talk in a loud and threatening voice. Mr. Lingo who was approaching the house at the time, ran up and opened fire on the negro, who escaped in the woods.

New Shop in Tuscaloosa.

Tuscaloosa, Ala.—A new enterprise in Tuscaloosa is the large machine shops which have just been completed belonging to Daniel Bros. The plant is equipped with a full array of the best machines of the best patterns, and are prepared to do all kinds of machine work and repairing. The turning machine is one of the largest of its kind in the city.

Two Cannons Presented.

Montgomery, Ala.—The two Moro cannons presented to the state of Alabama by Major Bullard, of the United States army in the Philippines, have been received and are now on exhibition at the state department of archives and history. They are rather dilapidated and old-fashioned looking pieces and weigh about 100 pounds each.

Young Man Shoots Himself.

Athens, Ala.—George Rouse, a young man living seven miles southwest of this place, met with a serious and what may terminate in a fatal accident. He and his brother were hunting, and in attempting to cross a creek on a log he let his gun slip and the hammer struck the log, causing the gun to be discharged, the lead entering the upper part of and tearing away the arm and then entering the shoulder, causing what prove a fatal wound.

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President Seymour Talks.

Montgomery, Ala.—President W. H. Seymour, of the Alabama Cotton Association, expresses gratification over the great success of the state convention of cotton growers Tuesday.

The president, by invitation of Commissioner of Agriculture R. R. Poole, has established his office in that of the commissioner at the capitol. There he will make it convenient to associate with Secretary Jesse C. Adams, of the state association, who is chief clerk to the commissioner.

President Seymour will begin shortly to send out some literature to the sixty-seven county organizations in the state.

"The success of the delegates in perfecting a valuable state organization was far beyond my expectations," said President Seymour. "The men who were here were earnest and enthusiastic in the single aim of doing everything in their power for cotton."

"The fact that some counties did not send delegates can be easily explained when you recall the extremely bad weather that prevailed during the county and beat meetings this month. Over in the county of Sumter it was practically impossible to hold any meetings."

"During the severest weather the farmers were completely cut off from many county seats by swollen streams. The ice and slush were not calculated to bring the farmers out."

This executive committee of the state association will shortly proceed to arrange for borrowing \$500 to cover the expense of the organization during the next thirty days. The amount will be repaid out of the first moneys that come to the treasurer from the county assessments.

\$11,000 Shortage Reported.

Jasper, Ala.—Ex-Treasurer E. W. Miller, by the report of J. L. Morris, who has been auditing his books, is about \$11,000 in the state's debt. It is remembered that three weeks ago the receipt and disbursement books of the treasurer were found burned in the rear of the Little drug store. A state examiner was requested, and Mr. Morris was sent. His report shows that the treasurer is short \$11,034.70. It is said that Mr. Miller is willing to settle the claims of the state when the amount is determined by an examiner appointed by the commissioners' court.

Killed by Lamp Explosion.

Jasper, Ala.—Mrs. Robert Waldrop met a horrible death at Oakman, twelve miles south of Jasper, a few days ago by the explosion of a lamp which she had been using around the stove in the kitchen. She had left the lamp on the reservoir of the range, on which she had been preparing breakfast. She took the lamp from the range and set it on a table nearby, and as she turned the lamp exploded. Her body was covered with the flames, and she was dead before succor could relieve her. Deceased had been married only a short while.

Killed His Uncle.

Boothan, Ala.—Thursday evening five or six miles below town Jesse Clark killed his uncle, George Clark. Both white men. George Clarke had shot at Jesse five times with a shotgun, and Jesse in turn and in self-defense turned loose on him with a Winchester rifle and shot him twice, killing him instantly. George Clarke was a very desperate man and of very bad character, and was always in some trouble. The dispute was about some family matter. Jesse Clark when he had killed his uncle came to town and gave himself up, and is in jail here.

Athens, Ala.—While crossing a creek on a log George Rouse, a well-known young man of this place, accidentally shot himself in the shoulder. The wound may prove fatal.

Tax Collector Is Robbed.

Cullman, Ala.—W. H. Drinkard, tax collector of Morgan county, was robbed of \$15 while asleep in the Mason House, a boarding house on First avenue, east, in Cullman last Tuesday night. He retired about 10 o'clock, leaving his trousers on a chair in the room. He had \$15 in his trousers pockets. He had \$100 in a purse which he put under his pillow. Next morning his trousers were found under the stairway in the hall riddled of all contents.

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## JORDAN SAYS HOLD IT.

Do Not Loan Your Cotton; For If The Demand Is Supplied It Will Not Go Up.

HOLD FOR TEN CENTS.

Warns Against Furnishing Spinners

and Thus Killing All Demand

for Cotton.

Atlanta, Ga.—According to reports which have been received by President Harvie Jordan, of the Southern Cotton Association, a number of farmers are being appealed to by the buyers of cotton to let them have cotton at the present prices and should any advances occur between now and next September the farmers will be paid the additional amount on cotton they now release.

Mr. Jordan is out in an interview, in which he strongly advises against the practice of lending cotton, and urges upon the farmers and those who have cotton to hold on to it. He says:

"Reports are coming to me from many sections of the south indicating that farmers are being appealed to by buyers and spinners to get possession of the spot cotton on the agreement to pay present market prices and any advances that may accrue between now and September 1. If the buyers and spinners can get enough cotton under this plan to meet the needs of present consumption it will be impossible to advance prices. It looks like a good business proposition, but in the end it will prove disastrous to the holders. All holders of spot cotton are warned against schemes of this kind."

"Do not let any cotton pass into the hands of the buyers on any partial trade of any kind, and do not lend cotton or turn any of it over to the people who must have it for spinning purposes or filling contracts upon which they are now short."

Hold Your Cotton Tight.

"Hold your cotton tight and refuse to deliver it on any kind of trade. It will be unfair to those who are holding and ruinous to your own interests in the end. Stand pat, hold your ground and don't give away at any point along the line. We are sure to win."

"It is reported to me that some of the mills are proposing to local holders of cotton a proposition to take cotton from them at present prices and free of storage and insurance, provided such cotton is delivered at the mills, and any further advance will be paid between now and September 1. In the meantime the mills can proceed with the spin this cotton, and to that extent will not have to go into the market to make purchases. If this plan was generally adopted there would soon be no demand whatever from the southern mills, which would seriously affect the present holding movement."

"I do not charge that southern mills are advising this course to defeat any advance in prices, because many of our mills are in favor of higher prices, but the effect will be the same. In Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas and other states exporters are actively soliciting cotton, so I am informed, under the form of an agreement to pay present prices and any advances that might accrue in the near future, provided the cotton is now delivered to them."

Proposition Will Decrease Price.

"While it is true that this proposition will in some instances relieve the holders from interest on borrowed money, storage and insurance, yet the buyers will have but one object in view, and that is to get in possession of cotton which they cannot otherwise secure for the purpose of relieving the critical situation they are in—namely, to fill the contracts they are short on. If they succeed the price of cotton can be depressed by increasing the receipts and relieving the situation, which is now extremely critical for the exporters."

"Farmers must not allow themselves to get caught by these flattering propositions. I know that local buyers and exporters are short. I know that vessels are now standing at the ports waiting to receive cotton that is yet to be bought and that spinners are meeting and refusing to extend their contracts with the buyers any longer. The farmers have every encouragement for higher prices if they will continue to stand firm and refuse to let their cotton go out of their possession. Let there be but one answer to the buyers, and that is: 'Ten cents at the ports or nothing!'"

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FIRST IRON WORKS IN AMERICA!

On Falling Creek, a Tributary of the James River in Virginia.

It is not very widely known that the first iron manufactured in America was from bog oak taken from the meadows along Falling Creek, a tributary of the James River a few miles below Richmond.

In 1619, the London Company, the proprietors of the colony of Virginia, sent over a Mr. King and one hundred and fifty skilled iron workers to erect furnaces on Falling Creek. These men came chiefly from Warwickshire and Staffordshire, and when once in Virginia named the village that grew up about their iron works Warwick. The company spent about \$200,000 in the erection of a furnace and opening the mines, from which for three years they produced a good quality of iron. Mr. King soon dropped out of the enterprise, and a Captain Blunet superintended the erection of the works; but his career was a short one, after which John Berkeley, son of Sir John Berkeley, a nobleman of much distinction, succeeded to the superintendence of the establishment, and conducted it ably until one day—March 22, 1622—the Indians under Opitchapan, a brother of Powhatan, who had succeeded the latter in his death in 1618, surprised the village and murdered Berkeley and one hundred and fifty men and women. The only survivors of the village were a boy and a girl, who hid in the bushes. This terminated the iron industry, and Warwick was but a name associated with the massacre for a long time. In 1700 mills were built upon the ruins of the iron furnace. In those mills was ground the first flour exported from America, much of it going to South America. From that time on Warwick grew rapidly until it became an important manufacturing and shipping village, as it was at the head of navigation. Shortly before the outbreak of the Revolutionary War, Colonel Archibald Cary acquired possession of the vast estate known as Amphyll, that lay on the James River and inland along Falling Creek for a distance. The estate was named after one in England. Colonel Cary was an active revolutionist, being chairman of the committee that drafted the first Bill of Rights and State Constitution in America, that of Virginia. When the war broke out, he took an active part in the military operations of his country in the South. Tarleton, the British general, sailed up the James River and burnt Warwick and Colonel Cary's mills on Falling Creek. It is said that Benedict Arnold, the traitor, accompanied Tarleton on this voyage. It was an act in keeping with the baseness of his character to have taken part in such retaliation against the patriotic Cary.

The old Amphyll house occupied by Colonel Cary at the time is still standing, and portions of the ruins of Warwick are to be seen. On my recent visit to the locality, a rainstorm drove me into the old Amphyll manor house, where I was kindly received by the present owners, who are descendants of the Cary family. The day was a cloudy one, and I could do but little with the camera, getting only two fairly good views of the site of the old iron works and the Cary mills; but a heavy rain prevented me from taking the house at Amphyll.—Scientific American.

First South African Diamond.

From Kimberley comes news of the death of John O'Reilly, whose name is prominently associated with the discovery of the first diamond in the area now worked by the De Beers Corporation. It was in 1867 that Mr. O'Reilly came into possession of a "beautiful pebble" picked up by the little son of a Dutch farmer while playing near Hopetown, on the banks of the Orange River. The child took it home with a handful of other pebbles, and the extreme brilliancy of the stone attracted the attention of his mother, who drew a neighbor's attention to its sparkling qualities. The neighbor, another farmer, showed the gem to Mr. O'Reilly, who at that time was a traveling trader, and he, shrewdly suspecting its real character, undertook to get it valued.

Several people in various parts of Cape Colony to whom he showed the stone ridiculed the notion that it had any extraordinary value. Finally Mr. Lorenzo Boyes, the Civil Commissioner of Colesburg, pronounced it to be a diamond, and his opinion was subsequently confirmed by Dr. W. G. Atherstone, of Grahamstown, the leading colonial mineralogist of the day. Such is the story which credits Mr. O'Reilly with being the discoverer of the first South African diamond. Strangely enough, he continued to follow his calling of trader—he died at his store near Taungs—whereas he might, had he chosen, have exploited more of the sparkling gems that have made Cape Colony prosperous and enriched individuals beyond the dreams of avarice. The late Mr. O'Reilly was the son of a colonel in the British army.—London Westminster Gazette.

Pas Failures Redeemable.

There is no failure for a man whose spirit is unconquered. No matter how late the hour, or how many and repeated his failures, success is still possible. The evolution of Scrooge, the miser, in the closing years of his life, from a hard, narrow, heartless money-grubber, whose soul was imprisoned in his shining heap of hoarded gold, to a generous, genial lover of his kind, is no mere myth of Dickens's brain. Time and again, in the history of our daily lives, chronicled in our newspapers, recorded in our biographies, or exhibited before our eyes, we see men and women redeeming past failures, rising up out of the stupor of discouragement, and boldly turning face forward once more.—O. S. Marden, in Success.



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The recent decision of the Supreme court on the branch court house case in this county brings about matters not to be lightly looked upon by the citizens of our county. It will be remembered that in the campaign just ended in this county, various issues were before the people, among which was this identical case. It will also be remembered that the present administration was considerably and ruthlessly criticised by the opposition for its action in this matter, and in many instances great stress was brought to bear by the office-seekers on the opposite side for the way and manner in which our Probate Judge and Commissioners Court were acting. In many instances they were censured by foul and slanderous accusations, and not given credit at any time with having used diligence and care for the people and their interest. This kind of rot however, did not originate with the conservative and fair minded citizen, but was only used as a shield for the selfish and partisan politician to further the cause of his party without looking to the sincerity on the part of those acting in authority. Great pains were taken at sundry times to severely score the authorities for taking these steps to prevent the erection of this courthouse and jail, and the project was so far taken in issue until assurance was given that should the apposition be elected, the law would be complied with, no matter as to its constitutionality or legality. We claim nothing more than our own in the action of the authorities in this matter, but we do say that this is an instance where one can readily see the policy and degradation of useless criticism, and we hope the day will soon come when people in authority, no matter of what political creed, may act without the harshest and bitterest criticisms from the opposition.

The Atlanta Constitution is devoting a great deal of its space and energy to the welfare of the cotton growers association. Georgia seems to be doing her part in perfecting this much needed organization. Let the good work continue and let not Alabama be behind in this move.

The terrible mine disaster which occurred at the Virginia mines last Monday a week ago has proven to be one of the most disastrous in the history of our country. The last newspaper reports are to the effect that 103 persons have been gotten out. The explosion was absolutely fatal, and not a single one was left to tell the tale of the deplorable accident. About 300 children and 100 families have been left destitute and made paupers almost on this account. The agony, grief and sorrow about this mine has been intense, and brave stout-hearted men in many instances have been overcome by the unbounded misery and woe, and have broken down.

The distress among the Japs continues to be great. There are tens of thousands of widows and orphans made by the war. This is the case when any war of consequence is in progress. The condition of affairs in Russia continues to grow more serious every day. The assassination of Grand Duke Sergius at Moscow was a terrible affair.

New Orleans had another big fire last Sunday night, and the terminals of the Illinois Central railroad was destroyed. Loss about \$5,000,000. The great loss doubtless, was well covered by insurance.

The cotton growers efforts to bring about better prices has now developed into a solid firm and lasting organization, and no doubt great good will come as the result.

Katie and Maggie Johnson, two sisters of Butler county, Ala., have recently been tried and acquitted on the charge of murder.

## Important to Farmers.

To the Cotton Growers of Shelby Co.: You are hereby called to meet at the voting places in the various beats at 1 o'clock P. M., on Saturday, March 11th, and to organize by the election of a chairman, secretary and treasurer and three canvassers to canvass each beat, not already organized; also three or more delegates from each beat to a county meeting on Saturday, the 18th day of March, 1905, at 10 A. M. in the city of Columbiana. The secretaries of the beat meetings are directed to enroll as members of the Southern Cotton Growers Association, all persons who sign pledges to reduce cotton acreage and fertilizers not less than 25 per cent. below that of 1904, and the payment of 75 cents to carry out the plan of organization adopted at New Orleans January 24th to 26th, and ratified by the State organization in convention assembled at the capitol, in the city of Montgomery, February 1, 1905, each beat delegation will be requested to report to the county meeting as follows:

1. Acreage in cotton in 1904.
2. Probable acreage in cotton in 1905.
3. Number of bales now being held in each beat for better prices.

HOSIA PEARSON,  
Chairman Cotton Association Shelby county.

A man by the name of Lockwood died a few weeks ago at his home in Pittsburg. He left a wife in which one of his daughters, who ran away and married a dentist was given much less than his four other children. But her brothers and sisters gave her seven million five hundred thousand dollars each so that she would have thirty million dollars, the same as the others. Quite a nice gift to keep peace in the family or from love. Here are four persons giving away seven million five hundred thousand dollars each A brisk little city of ten thousand inhabitants, with all its rich men, its banks, its stores, its factories, is not worth as much as one of these children of Mr. Lockwood gave away. Now, you bright young man, you who own some ten or fifteen, possibly fifty thousand dollars' worth of property, don't be puffed up with your riches—you ain't in it at all.—Missouri World.

Shakespeare had something to say about "a mind diseased." Did he ever imagine that there would be a freak legislature that would make it a felony to prescribe for a diseased mind unless a license was first procured from the medical board of "regular" physicians of the state. What kind of drugs do the doctors use to cure a mind diseased? This new law declares that it shall be unlawful for any person to attempt to cure any "mental or physical ailments" without a license. If hereafter you find your friends suffering from melancholia, you must not try to cure him by cheering him up, but you must fly to a doctor, get a prescription, go to a legally authorized pharmacist, get some drugs and administer them according to directions. Paternalism never reached to such lengths as that before. A paternal legislature provides the only way a man can be treated for the blues.—The Independent.

## Pointed Paragraphs.

From the Chicago News.  
Gossip is the moth-in-law of slander.

It takes the starch trust to get there with stiff prices.

Lo's wife was the salt of the earth—and still she wasn't satisfied.

Some married men never get a chance to breathe the air of freedom.

Drunkards are due to the fact that men often drink when they are not thirsty.

Many a woman who is unable to drive a horse can lead her husband around by the nose.

Some women think a marriage certificate is a license which gives them the right to rule the roost.

There would probably be fewer bachelors if they were not permitted to associate with married men.

If it is a bilious attack take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and a quick cure is certain. For sale by Williams Brothers.

Some women are so immodest they are ashamed to take off their gloves in a sleeping car.

## What Spinners Think of the Cotton Pool.

From the American Cotton Manufacturer of February 2, 1905.

Cotton is cheap. That this is generally understood is clear from the talk of forming "pools" which is heard on both sides of the Atlantic. The Manchester "pool," that of Liverpool and the million-bale Zurich project are promptly followed by the New Orleans "pool." All this gathering together of capital, if the deals are consummated, means but one thing. These men of large affairs, knowing, as they do, the Alpha and the Omega of the buying and selling of the staple, will put their money in these ventures for one elemental reason—to make money. Incidentally they are also trying to benefit the grower, for his prosperity will reflect credit on those who originate and carry out these several undertakings. But the underlying organic fact remains that these agglomerations of men are a unit in thinking that cotton is now selling below its intrinsic value.

That cotton is cheap. That they will be able to resell at a profit.

Care must be taken when the time comes to sell, that this is done gradually. Much depends upon the good faith of the management, especially of the New Orleans syndicate.

From a spinner's point of view, any move which will give the grower a fair return for his lands and labor will be received with favor. Nevertheless, what the cotton manufacturer most ardently desires above all things is stability in prices.

"The cotton planter and his ultimate customer, the spinner, should get closer together, and, as one of the latter class said to the writer in New Orleans, if the former could perform the impossible and devise some scheme by which cotton could be held at a flat price of 10 cents for ten years the manufacturing fraternity of the wide world would accept it with unbounded joy."

Things One Ought To Do.  
From the Chicago News.

Why don't you answer your friend's letter at once? It will have double value if written promptly and will take no more time now than by and by.

Why don't you make the promised visit to that invalid? She is looking for you day after day, and "hope deferred maketh the heart sick."

Why don't you send away that little gift you've been planning to send? Mere kind intentions never accomplish any good.

Why don't you speak out the encouraging words that you have in your thoughts? Unless you express them they are of no use to others.

Why don't you try to share the burden of that sorrowful one who works beside you? Is it because you are growing selfish? Why don't you take more pains to be self-sacrificing and loving in the everyday home life? Time is rapidly passing. Your dear ones will not be with you always.

Why don't you create around you an atmosphere of happiness and helpfulness, so that all who come in touch with you may be made better?

The explosion in the Virginia mines has proven to be of the most disastrous ever known in the history of this country. Many lives were dashed out of existence and many persons left with nothing but gloom and sorrow.

Judge Swayne came out winner and the long and continued impeachment proceedings which have been going on in Washington proved a failure.

## Colds

It should be borne in mind that every cold weakens the lungs, lowers the vitality and prepares the system for the more serious diseases, among which are the two greatest destroyers of human life, pneumonia and consumption.

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has won its great popularity by its prompt cures of this most common ailment. It aids expectoration, relieves the lungs and opens the secretions, effecting a speedy and permanent cure. It counteracts any tendency toward pneumonia.

Price 25c, Large Size 50c.

## Department of Agriculture.

Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 20, 1905.

To the Land Owners of Alabama:

The attractions of our great State are being recognized by the entire world; immigration is now seeking our pleasant climate, fertile soils and healthful conditions. Shall we take advantage of the opportunity now being offered us to sell our surplus land, and to locate in our midst a desirable citizenship, or shall we continue with our present conditions, and say to these homeseekers that Alabama's people will not welcome them? There are in Alabama, Twelve Millions of acres of lands that could be brought into high state of cultivation, that are now idle, bringing no revenue to the owners, nor taxes into the treasury. Only 14 per cent. of our farm lands are improved, while some of the States, younger than ours, with few of the attractions our State offers, show almost double the percentage of improved farms. What has brought this about? Immigration of a homeseeking and homeloving people.

Our present methods of Agriculture, under existing conditions, leave much to be desired. We need an intelligent, frugal and industrious agricultural labor, whether employed on large plantations, or on small farms. This can be secured by the bringing into the State this desirable class of immigrants from other States and foreign countries.

We are constantly receiving enquiries about lands that can be bought, and to be able to make satisfactory replies to such enquiries, we have prepared a book to be kept in this Department for the listing of such lands as our people will sell. We invite the co-operation and support of all our citizens in this undertaking, and earnestly urge them to list their lands with us, assuring them that it will be our pleasure to serve them in every way possible. Upon application we will furnish suitable blanks to be filled out and filed with this Department.

Yours very truly,  
R. R. POOLE,  
Commissioner of Agr.

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## Reflections of a Bachelor.

FROM THE NEW YORK PRESS

The more children a woman raised, the less her grandchildren think she knew about it.

It's very easy for a boy to get up early to go to school when that is his day for playing hockey.

Having a cold is an awful nice thing for your wife to be able to experiment on you with a lot of new remedies she read about.

The reason a girl is so cool at her wedding, may be because she was so excited when she caught him.

Maybe some men drink a good deal so as to forget the neckties they have to wear because their wives buy them.

A woman considers she is large-minded when she judges a railroad president's abilities by the neckties he wears.

Some girls are so immodest they can't help blushing when they hear a man had his leg cut off in a railway accident.

A man gets down on his knees when he asks a rich girl to marry him and when he hunts for his collar button under the bureau.

A girl can always excuse her marrying a man for his money by doing it to help him take care of it.

## PAPPOOSE POPCORN

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A subscriber to the Southern Agriculturist secured the original seed from an old Indian in Northwest Texas. After experimenting with it seven years he wrote the paper, "Wind sown ground and care it will make from 50 to 100 bushels to the acre, and planted thick and cut stalk and all it will make more feed and better feed than anything I ever saw. The old Indian said poultry fed on it would never have the cholera. I have not lost a fowl with cholera since I have been raising it. It also pops beautifully." This article brought hundreds of requests for seed, and now only a few bushels are left. Send for a 2 months' trial subscription to Southern Agriculturist, 39 C. P. Bldg., Nashville, Tenn., and you will get 100 seed by return mail, also details of \$50 prize seed-growing contest.

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Birmingham, Ala.

J. N. CORNATZAR, A. G. P. A.,  
Memphis, Tenn.

## Notice!

The State of Alabama, Shelby Co.

Notice is hereby given, that on the 27th day of February, 1905, upon the report and application of Wesley Ozley, Administrator of the estate of John W. Naish, deceased, said estate was declared insolvent, and that on the 3rd day of April, 1905, at a term of the Probate Court of said County to be held in Columbiana, said Wesley Ozley, Administrator aforesaid, will

make a final settlement of his administration of said estate, as required by the order of said Court, when and where all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they see proper, and may also select an administrator de bonis non.

Witness my hand, this 27th day of February, 1905.

A. P. LONGSHORE,  
Judge of Probate.

## LOW EXCURSION RATES

TO MOBILE AND NEW ORLEANS

Account Mardi Gras Celebration, March 2nd to 7th, 1905.

On account of the above occasion the Southern Railway will sell tickets to each of the above points at the very low rate of one fare, plus 25 cents for the round trip. Tickets will be sold March 1st to 6th inclusive; also for trains scheduled to arrive at destination before noon of the 7th, with final limit returning March 11th, 1905. The final limit may be extended until March 25th by depositing ticket with Joint Agent and upon payment of a fee of 50 cents. For further particulars call on any Southern Railway Agent.

## PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURATION,

Washington, D. C., March 4th, 1905.

On account of the above occasion the Southern Railway will sell excursion tickets at the very low rate of one fare plus 25 cents for the round trip. Tickets will be sold March 1, 2, and 3, with final limit returning to leave Washington not later than March 8th. By depositing ticket with Joint Agent and upon payment of a fee of \$1.00, the limit will be extended to leave Washington not later than March 18, 1905. For full information and tickets, apply to any Southern Railway Agent, or address

J. N. Harrison,  
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Birmingham, Ala.

## J. L. PETERS,

Attorney at law and

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COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA.

## SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

Condensed Schedule in Effect November 6, 1904.

No. 22	No. 16	STATIONS	No. 15	No. 21
7:00pm	5:50am	Mobile	Ar. 10:55pm	10:00am
1:00pm	3:30pm	Ar. Selma	Ar. 4:30pm	6:30am
5:30pm	10:55am	Ar. Union	Ar. 6:20am	10:45am
4:40pm	Ar. Chattanooga	Ar. 4:40pm	6:30pm	
1:10pm	Ar. Knoxville	Ar. 1:10pm	2:00pm	
5:40pm	Ar. Bristol	Ar. 5:40pm	9:00am	
9:15pm	Ar. Asheville	Ar. 9:15pm	1:15pm	
1:30pm	Ar. Charlotte	Ar. 1:30pm	3:30pm	
6:30am	Ar. W. Charlotte	Ar. 6:30am	10:00pm	
12:40pm	Ar. N. York	Ar. 12:40pm	3:25pm	

Nos. 22 and 21 carry Pullman sleeping cars between Mobile and Birmingham, Birmingham and New York. Cafe car serves meals on route.

No. 18	STATIONS	No. 17
7:30am	Ar. Atlanta	Ar. 7:30am
9:00am	Ar. Greensboro	Ar. 9:00am
10:47am	Ar. Marion	Ar. 10:47am
11:40am	Ar. Columbia	Ar. 11:40am
12:15pm	Ar. Columbia	Ar. 12:15pm
2:30pm	Ar. Columbia	Ar. 2:30pm
3:30pm	Ar. Columbia	Ar. 3:30pm
4:30pm	Ar. Columbia	Ar. 4:30pm
5:30pm	Ar. Columbia	Ar. 5:30pm
6:30pm	Ar. Columbia	Ar. 6:30pm
7:30pm	Ar. Columbia	Ar. 7:30pm
8:30pm	Ar. Columbia	Ar. 8:30pm
9:30pm	Ar. Columbia	Ar. 9:30pm
10:30pm	Ar. Columbia	Ar. 10:30pm
11:30pm	Ar. Columbia	Ar. 11:30pm
12:30pm	Ar. Columbia	Ar. 12:30pm

No. 20	STATIONS	No. 19
7:30pm	Ar. New Orleans	Ar. 7:30pm
1:40pm	Ar. New Orleans	Ar. 1:40pm
2:40pm	Ar. New Orleans	Ar. 2:40pm
4:25pm	Ar. New Orleans	Ar. 4:25pm
5:10pm	Ar. New Orleans	Ar. 5:10pm
8:20pm	Ar. New Orleans	Ar. 8:20pm
12:05pm	Ar. New Orleans	Ar. 12:05pm
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2:40pm	Ar. New Orleans	Ar. 2:40pm
4:25pm	Ar. New Orleans	Ar. 4:25pm
5:10pm	Ar. New Orleans	Ar. 5



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### THE PEOPLE'S ADVOCATE

#### Social and Local News.

It pays to advertise. Try it.

Rev. J. G. Walker has the grip.

J. T. Wheat, of Weldon, was here Saturday.

J. T. Hall, of Shelby, was in the city Friday.

County court adjourned Saturday at noon.

J. G. Mitchell, of Helena, was in town Friday.

R. L. Bierley, of Shelby, was in town Monday.

Hosea Pearson, of Farmer, was in the city Monday.

J. W. Dodson, of Coalville, was in the city Saturday.

R. W. Walton, of East Saginaw, was in town Monday.

H. Moore, of Lynch, was doing business here Monday.

Wales Wallace spent Sunday up at Klein with relatives.

Mayor W. B. Browne spent last Thursday in Talladega.

Circuit Clerk John R. Dyke spent Sunday at Sterrett.

Wesley Ozley, of Siluria, was here Monday on business.

W. J. Sewell, of Weldon, was in town several days last week.

R. C. Naish, of Saginaw, was in town Saturday a short while.

M. S. Wilson, of beat 7, was in town Thursday a short while.

Dr. J. H. Gunn, of Calera, was in town a day or two last week.

J. M. Luquire, of Calvary, was among the visitors here Friday.

C. P. Keith, of Shelby, was among the visitors here last week.

A. H. Avery, of Shelby, spent a few hours here Monday afternoon.

G. W. Glaze, of Vincent, was in the city last Thursday on business.

W. R. Oliver, Esq., was up from Calera last Thursday a few hours.

R. E. Bowdon, of Keystone, was in the city Wednesday of last week.

Miss Stella Powell visited relatives at Childersburg Sunday and Monday.

L. M. Dyke, of Attalla, was in the city Thursday and Friday on business.

L. B. Riddle, of Wilsonville, was in town a short while Thursday of last week.

J. H. Abercrombie was sick several days last week, but is able to be out again now.

Mrs. H. E. Whitaker is visiting relatives and friends in Montevallo for a few days.

Dr. H. W. Harrison and J. D. Stripling, of Dogwood, were in the city Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. F. M. Filkins, of Wilsonville, visited the family of H. W. Nelson Sunday and Monday.

Commissioner Pleasant Shaw, of beat 4, was the city Monday circulating among his many friends.

Mrs. Edgar Cary, of Keystone, visited the family of Rev. H. M. Millstead a few days last week.

E. A. Turner and John Banister, of Calico, were in the city last Thursday attending county court.

The Talladega District Conference will meet in Columbiana on May 11th, and will last four days.

J. H. Page spent Wednesday in Birmingham.

Mrs. F. A. Thomas has been sick several days with the grip.

John T. Cromwell, who has been sick for several weeks, is again at his post carrying the mail. He made his first trip from here to Shelby Monday.

E. W. Burt sold his livery stable last Saturday to Leo and Simon Friedberger and H. M. Norris, and the business will be run at the same stand, with H. M. Norris as manager.

Dirt was broken Monday morning for the erection of J. H. Mason's two-story brick store between the Columbiana Savings Bank and J. H. Abercrombie's store. W. G. Parker has the contract to do the work.

T. J. Weaver & Co., will open a millinery business in a few days, with Miss Mattie Fallow in charge. Miss Fallow has been in Atlanta the past week selecting the stock, and writes that she will be here by March 5th or 6th, with the prettiest line of millinery ever shown in Columbiana.

John Harper, of East Saginaw, was in the city Friday on business. Mr. Harper said that they needed a mail route up through his community very bad, and thought it would be wise for the government to extend Route No. 2 out of Columbiana by East Saginaw, which would be very convenient for the many citizens there.

Joe Scott, a brother of Mrs. W. E. Harrison of this place, was one of the unfortunate victims in the recent Virginia mine explosion. Mr. Scott was a single man and was a good miner. His body was among the last to have been rescued out of the mines. His remains were brought to Elliotts, near Saginaw, Saturday, and laid to rest in the cemetery at that place. Mr. and Mrs. Harrison have the sympathy of all our people.

**FOR AN IMPAIRED APPETITE.**  
Loss of appetite always results from faulty digestion. All that is needed is a few doses of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They will invigorate the stomach, strengthen the digestion and give you an appetite like a wolf. These tablets also act as a gentle laxative. For sale by Williams Brothers.

When a man has common sense and will keep his mouth shut, very often he can pass himself off for a genius.

**A Card of Thanks.**  
Editor Advocate: I wish to say through the Advocate that I was no less surprised, than pleased, to see all my children and grand children assemble themselves at my house on February 1st, to celebrate my birthday day, and for the nice dinner they had prepared, that all enjoyed so well. I wish to give my many thanks.

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**Sunday School Association.**

The twenty-second annual Convention of the Alabama Sunday School Association will be held in the city of Birmingham, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 25-27 next. The basis of representation is as follows: All officers of the State Association, five delegates at large from each county, all ministers of the Gospel; the Superintendent and two other delegates from each Sunday school.

The railroads of the State have granted a rate of one and one-third fare on the certificate plan, to delegates attending the Convention. The delegates will be entertained by the Sunday school workers of Birmingham.

### Dargin Items.

Weather looks like spring and the farmers sowing oats.

We are glad to note that Lee Nabors, who has been on the sick list some time, is improving.

Several of the Dargin people went to Campbranch to preaching Sunday.

A. C. Leonard and wife visited Mr. Ozley Sunday.

J. W. Busby and wife visited on Spring Creek Sunday.

LaFayette Evans of Columbiana, was here Sunday.

J. S. Evans went to Birmingham last week on business.

G. G. Nabors and family and H. B. Nabors and family visited on Coon Creek Sunday.

Mrs. T. M. Duncan visited her father, Mr. Riley, near Wilsenville last week.

F. A. Lynch went to Birmingham last Friday on business.

James Horton, of Ebenezer, passed through town Wednesday of last week.

J. M. Leonard, of Campbranch, was in town Friday in the interest of the cotton growers association.

Several of the farmers of this place went to Campbranch Tuesday night to the Farmers Union. This Union has 23 members and still coming in. Let the good work go on until the farmers are well organized.

### BUFFALO BILL.

A CHICAGO ALDERMAN OWES HIS ELECTION TO CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY.

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The State of Alabama, Shelby Co. Probate Court, Special Term, February 18th, 1905.

In the matter of the application of W. T. Francis for sale of certain lands for partition and division.

The said W. T. Francis, having this day filed in said Court his petition in writing, alleging that he and R. W. Francis, T. L. Francis, Ammi Crowe, and children of Maggie Webster, to-wit: Rosa Webster, Richard Webster, Will Webster, Charlie Webster and John Webster are the joint owners of certain real estate, described in said petition, and that said property cannot be equitably divided or partitioned without a sale thereof. The 23rd day of March, 1905, was appointed a day for the hearing of the same, and in as much as it appears that one of the parties represented as being interested in said property, live without the State; it is therefore ordered that notice of said petition and of the time and place set for hearing, the same be given by publication, to be continued weekly for three successive weeks in the Peoples Advocate, a newspaper published in this county.

A. P. LONGSHORE,

Judge of Probate.

### Notice.

The State of Alabama, Shelby County.

Probate Court, February 20th, 1905.

Anderson Hale, deceased, estate of.

This day came A. T. Thomas, Administrator of said estate, and filed his application in due form and under oath, praying for an order of sale of certain lands, described therein and belonging to said estate, for the purpose of paying the debts, upon the ground that the personal property is insufficient therefor. It is ordered that the 13th day of March, 1905, be appointed a day for hearing such application, at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

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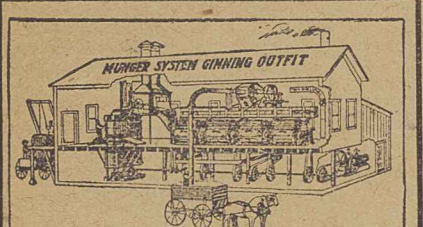
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The district attorney of Mojave county, A. T., lost his hands several years ago in an explosion in a gold mine. Though he is handless, Attorney Dickson is able to perform all the tasks that fall to the lot of a man in his profession. He eats and dresses with no more difficulty than people who have the full use of their hands. Around Kingman, the county seat of Mojave county, Attorney Dickson has the reputation of being one of the swiftest performers on the typewriter. In using the typewriter Dickson fastens two short sticks, especially made for him, to the ends of his arms, and, seated well above the typewriter, strikes down with unerring aim and with a rapidity that is marvelous.

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An engineer declares that 50,000 people now do the work which 16,000,000 persons to do a few years ago.

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## Rainfall in the United States.

BY HENRY GANNETT, Geographer of the United States Geological Society

THE average rainfall of the United States, including Alaska, is about thirty inches. That is, if it rained the same amount everywhere in the country, rain and melted snow would fall each year to a depth of two and one-half feet. But the rainfall is not distributed uniformly by any means. Some regions receive vastly more than is needed, while others receive so little that only desert vegetation can grow. The eastern half of the country is well watered, while most of the western half is insufficiently watered.

On the coast of the Gulf of Mexico five, sometimes six feet fall in a year; upon the northwest corner of our country, about Puget Sound, rain commonly falls to a depth exceeding six feet, and ten feet have been known to fall in a single year. On the other hand, in the deserts of Utah, Nevada, Arizona and eastern California years have passed without any rain, and the average of many years is between five and ten inches.

To understand this difference in the supply of rain to different parts of the country, it is necessary to understand why it rains—what conditions must be present.

All air contains vapor of water in solution; sometimes there is more, sometimes less. Air of a certain temperature can dissolve only a certain amount of moisture. When the limit is reached, the air is said to be saturated, just as water may be saturated with salt in solution.

This limit is much higher with warm air than with cold air, that is, warm air can dissolve more water than cold air can. Now if warm air which is saturated or partly saturated with moisture be cooled, it cannot hold so much moisture as before. A part of it must be given out, and this produces rain.

Two conditions must therefore be present—moisture in the air, and means of cooling the air below the point of saturation. Neither of these conditions will alone produce rain. The air may be very moist, as it is upon the coast of southern California in the summer, but since there is no way of cooling it, it never rains there in this season.

WHAT THE AIR-CURRENTS DO.

On the other hand, dry air may be reduced greatly in temperature without producing rain, as occurs when the air-currents blow over the Colorado mountains in the winter, because these air-currents, containing little moisture, are not cooled to the point of saturation.

Air is commonly warmest at the earth's surface, and becomes colder as the elevation increases. It is also, of course, warm near the equator and becomes colder northward and southward. Ascending air-currents, therefore, become colder, and in the northern hemisphere air-currents from the south are cooled as they move northward. As air-currents move upward or northward, all the moisture beyond that amount which they, in their cooled condition, can hold in solution, is precipitated as rain or snow.

The water which our country receives comes mainly from three sources, the Atlantic Ocean, the Gulf of Mexico and the Pacific Ocean, and of these by far the largest amount comes from the Gulf. The contributions of the Great Lakes and other bodies of water are small in comparison.

The area supplied by the Gulf stretches across the entire breadth of the country from north to south and from central Texas, eastern Kansas and Nebraska, eastward to the Appalachian Mountains.

The Atlantic Ocean supplies the strip of country east of these mountains, and the Pacific supplies moisture in varying amounts over the whole western country, its influence extending as far east as the eastern boundary of the Dakotas, Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma and central Texas. Of course these limits are ill-defined. They overlap one another and they shift about with the seasons, but on the whole they are about as stated.

All storms are essentially winds, which may or may not be accompanied by rain or snow. The air moves in a spiral course, in a direction in the northern hemisphere contrary to the movements of the hands of a watch, about the centre of the storm. The little dust-whirl which is often seen in the road on a summer day, is a miniature of the great whirls which cover half a continent.

FROM WEST TO EAST.

Such storms in this country commonly travel from west to east, across the continent, and as they move, they draw in air from all sides, carrying it up into the higher atmosphere. The influence of a storm may be felt days before its centre arrives. The wind blows first from the east, as it is drawn in toward the centre. Near the Atlantic coast this east wind, saturated with moisture, gives out rain as it is carried upward.

As the centre approaches the wind swings round to the southeast, then to the south, and southeast and south winds bring rain to the Mississippi Valley, since they bring moist air from the Gulf.

As the centre passes the wind turns to the southwest and west, and commonly becomes dry, since it comes off the great arid tablelands, and the rain ceases.

But on the Pacific coast, since the supply of moisture lies to the westward, the west winds are saturated with moisture, and at some seasons bring rain. Hence the rain falls after the centre of the storm has passed, instead of coming in advance of it.

The rain has seasons, as temperature has, and while in most parts of the country the hot season is the dry one and the cold season the rainy one, in the Rocky Mountains things are reversed—the rainy season comes in the summer. To understand all this we must go back a little.

It was stated above that as we go upward and as we go northward the air becomes colder. This is true in gen-

The Land of Gold.

The Yukon territory, which prior to 1898 formed a part of the Northwest territory, has an area of 196,976 square miles, 196,327 being land, and 649 water. The population is estimated at 12,000, of whom 7,200 are Americans. It is purely a mineral country, and has produced since 1885 when the output of gold was first recorded, to the end of 1903, \$97,063,500 in gold. Dawson, the capital of the Yukon territory, and the residential and commercial center of what is commonly known as the Klondike, has a population of 3,500 persons of various nationalities, the Americans with 2,450, forming 70 per cent. of the total.

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Can Live Without Spleen.

That a human being can live without a spleen has been now thoroughly established. At one time it was supposed that the spleen produced the red blood corpuscles or the white ones, or changed the one into the other; but since it is known that the bone-marrow has something to do with the production of corpuscles, and that spleenless men can live in perfect health, more and more operations are being performed for the removal of this organ.

Women Use the Sword.

All well educated Spanish women are taught from the earliest years to handle the sword, and as a result they are noted for their admirable figures and easy walk.

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Chance For a Reformer.

Some day a great reformer, in whose aspirations sense is duly blended with enthusiasm, will make and win a great fight for pockets in women's street clothes. Why woman does not have more and better pockets in her clothes is one of the mysteries of civilization.—Harper's Weekly.

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by local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circular free. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c.

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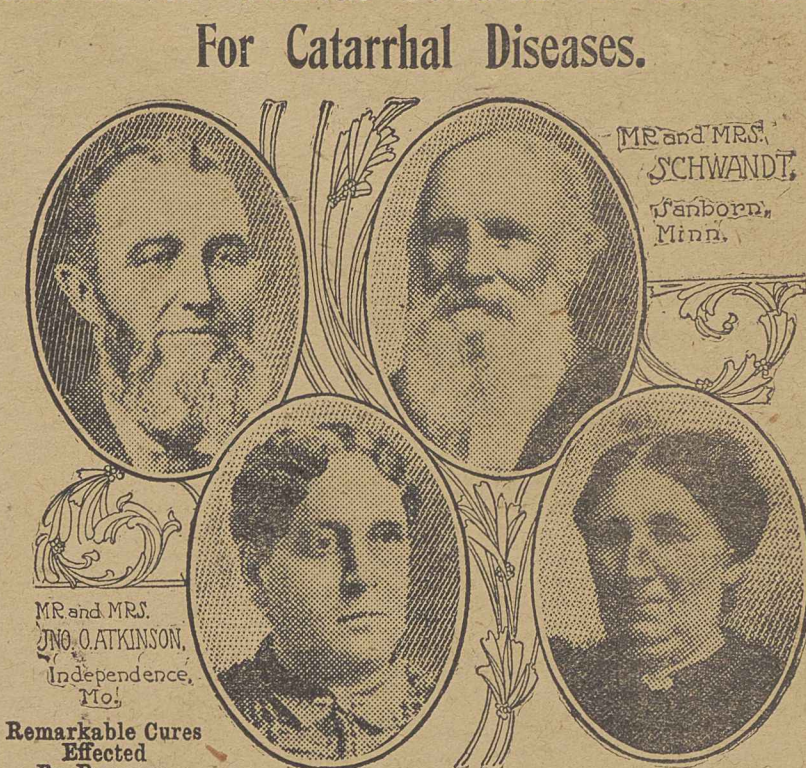
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In a letter dated January 1, 1900, Mr.

Atkinson says, after five years' experience with Pe-ru-na:

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"I have been troubled with rheumatism and catarrh for twenty-five years. Could not sleep day or night. After having used Pe-ru-na I can sleep and nothing bothers me now. If I ever am afflicted with any kind of sickness, Pe-ru-na will be the medicine I shall use. My son was cured of catarrh of the larynx by Pe-ru-na."

—Mrs. Alla Schwandt.

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## GENERAL STATE NEWS.

Current News Garnered as It Falls From the Plant of Report.

### Factory Was Destroyed.

Girard, Ala.—The plant of the Chattanooga Chemical and Mining Company was destroyed by fire Thursday morning between the hours of 1 and 3 o'clock. It is not known how the flames originated, and the theory of incendiarism has been advanced. When the watchman discovered the fire it was rapidly getting under good headway.

The entire plant, including buildings, officers, stables, four Central of Georgia freight cars and one thousand tons of guano was destroyed. The loss is estimated at from \$25,000 to \$35,000, and is partially covered by insurance.

This plant, a guano factory, was erected about two years ago, and was the largest industry in Girard.

### Burned With Powder.

Gadsden, Ala.—An accident, which may prove serious, occurred Friday at the ore mines of Hammond Bros., a few miles above the city, in which three boys and a girl were badly burned. The children, whose ages range from 5 to 14 years of age, were playing near an old powder magazine on the mountain and found a can of powder which they broke open and pouring out a quantity threw it on a fire they had near by. The powder flashed up and quickly communicated with the can when it exploded with a deafening report and the children were burned and bruised about their faces and body. Two of the boys are in a dangerous condition and may not survive the accident.

### Killed By Train.

Gadsden, Ala.—An unknown white man was run down and ground to pieces early Wednesday morning between Caldwell and Whitney by the Alabama Great Southern northbound passenger, the news being brought to Gadsden by passengers on the train. It seems that the old man lived near one of the above named stations and was walking along the side of the track with a plow on his shoulder and as the train neared him the engineer was horrified to see the old man step into the center of the track. The engineer shrieked out a warning, applied the brakes and reversed his engine but to no avail and the man was run down. His name could not be learned.

### New Bank at Decatur.

Decatur, Ala.—Official notice of the organization of the Commercial Savings Bank and Trust Savings Company, of New Decatur, was filed with the secretary of state Friday. The capital stock of the bank is \$25,000, all of which is paid in.

The incorporators are L. J. Fenn, A. C. Cain, Mrs. Mary Jennings, E. C. Payne, Samuel Blackwell, M. L. Hardage, B. W. Watson, W. H. Simpson, C. E. Malone, R. H. Walcott, James A. Hill, L. W. Barton, A. A. Hardage, J. D. Jervis, Abe Jervis, G. R. Sullivan, W. R. Smith, T. H. Mattocks, John Flippen, L. B. Wyatt, William Scharfberg, W. A. Warner, B. L. Malone, G. W. Russell, A. Z. Bailey, Putnam and Austin, A. J. Wilson, Morris Wilson, Claude Wilson and G. L. Bombs.

### Home Destroyed by Fire.

Scottsboro, Ala.—Fire destroyed the home of R. Scott Parks Monday afternoon at Randall's chapel, near Scottsboro. Everything Mr. Parks had in his home was burned, as all the family were here at the time of the fire. The cause is unknown. There was no insurance.

### Will Pay Dividends.

Opelika, Ala.—The depositors of the Shapard Bank, which failed in Opelika about a year ago, will be paid a dividend of 25 per cent.

There are about \$30,000 due depositors and the assignees will pay out about \$20,000 on the first dividend.

### Santa Fe Included.

Topeka, Kan.—The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad is to be included in Attorney General Coleman's suit for conspiracy against the Standard Oil Company. Mr. Coleman said that the Santa Fe was left out of the original petition by an error of the state stenographer.

He will at once file an amended petition to include the Santa Fe. The suit is brought against all the railroads of the state. The strongest feature of the suit, according to the attorney general, is that relating to the failure of the Standard Oil Company to pay charter fees, thus having no authority to do business in the state.

### Oakman to Have a Bank.

Jasper, Ala.—From reports Oakman is to have a bank some time in the near future. According to the report, Messrs. M. F. Cannon & Son, the largest merchants in Oakman, are the leaders in the movement. Fifteen thousand dollars will probably be the capital stock of the bank. The Messrs. Cannon have large stores both at Oakman and Berry. Other local capitalists will subscribe to the new bank.

### New Railroad to Atlas Coal Mines.

Jasper, Ala.—Bowdrey & Wilcox, the well known contractors, have begun the construction of a branch line from the main line of the Southern railway near Oakman to a point where the Atlas Coal Company proposes to open up new mines. The line will leave the main line about three miles east of Oakman, and will run in a southeasterly direction about two and one-half miles.

The Atlas Coal Company has some very rich mineral holdings in that section, and it is proposed to open the best mining plants in the county.

### Wants But One Phone System.

Sheffield, Ala.—The mayor and council of Sheffield at a meeting held Thursday night declined to grant a franchise for an exchange to be operated in competition with the exchange of the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company, now in Sheffield. The application for a franchise was made by John C. Monteith, representing Barber & Bralley, owners of certain independent telephone properties. The matter received careful consideration at the hands of the members of the council, and after a full discussion it was unanimously decided that a second telephone system in Sheffield would result in an increased financial burden to the community, and very considerable annoyance as well. The service of the Southern Bell Company in Sheffield was pronounced excellent and the rates reasonable, and the mayor and council were unanimously of the opinion that a second telephone system would be highly undesirable.

### Boyles Property Transferred.

Birmingham, Ala.—According to papers filed in the probate office, the South and North Alabama railroad (Louisville and Nashville) is now in full possession of the property at Boyles, north of the city, where large yards have been constructed. The transfer is made by the Louisville Development Company, a corporation in which are many stockholders in the Louisville and Nashville. The consideration is \$420,000.

### Bit By Mad Dog.

Opelika, Ala.—A few weeks ago a supposed mad dog bit the little boy of Solicitor C. A. L. Samford and the little daughter of B. E. Hudson. They were at once carried to Atlanta, Ga., for treatment, and the body of the dog was carried there for analysis and examination. It was decided that the dog was afflicted with the rabies, but the children have taken the necessary treatment and it is now thought that they are out of danger.

### Child Victim of Grate Fire.

Florence, Ala.—The 7-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Longshore, prominent citizens of Lambs Ferry, in the eastern part of the county, was burned in a frightful manner. Mrs. Longshore had stepped from the room a few minutes when it is supposed the child went too near the grate and caught fire. When found the child's clothes were burned entirely off, and after lingering in horrible agony it died six hours later. This is the fourth victim, all of them white children, which the flames have claimed in Lauderdale county in a little more than a month.

### Alabama Postmasters.

Washington, D. C.—Postmasters appointed: Bingham, Elmore county, James B. Fain; Rockwood, Franklin county, Wylmer Crittenden; Show Creek, Cleburne county, Wm. E. Holdt.

### Opera House Sold at Tuscaloosa.

Tuscaloosa, Ala.—H. H. Leland and M. T. Ormond have purchased the opera house property from H. F. Brady, of Mobile. The property is a quarter of a block. The price paid was \$4,500.

### Brought from Florida.

Birmingham, Ala.—Ed G. Roach, a white man 36 years of age, was brought to Birmingham from Jacksonville, Fla., where he was arrested on a warrant from this county, charging grand larceny. He was arrested several days ago, and Deputy Sheriff George W. Courson was sent to Florida to bring him back.

Roach is charged with taking and disposing of a barrel of whisky from the Frisco system freight house in this city some time ago. For several weeks the special agent of the railroad has been working on the case, and he finally located Roach in Jacksonville.

Selma, Ala.—J. M. Tate, the officer of the law who brought two negro prisoners to this city Friday en route to Florida and under the influence of whiskey paraded his prisoners through the principal streets, received leniency at the hands of Mayor Atkins Saturday morning. His fine was only \$15 on the charge of drunk and disorderly conduct. Another warrant against him for using obscene language in the presence of females was discarded.

### Jordan at Opelika.

Opelika, Ala.—An immense audience of representative farmers from Lee, Chambers, Macon, Tallapoosa and Russell counties, assembled in Opelika to hear the addresses of Hon. Harvie Jordan, president of the Southern Cotton Growers' Association, and other distinguished speakers. Hon. N. P. Renfro, president of the Lee County Association, called the meeting to order and presented Hon. Lum Duke, of Opelika, who introduced Hon. R. R. Poole, commissioner of agriculture. Hon. R. R. Poole, in an address, described the organization, composition and purpose of the Cotton Growers' Association. His speech was enthusiastically received.

Colonel Duke then introduced Hon. Harvie Jordan, who delivered a most masterly address, discussing the cotton situation in the Southern States and eloquently appealed to the farmers to decrease the cotton acreage and the use of fertilizers.

W. H. Seymour, president of the Alabama Association, and E. D. Smith, of the South Carolina Association, delivered eloquent addresses on the line of the other speeches. All the speakers were enthusiastically applauded.

### New Construction Company.

Birmingham, Ala.—The Jefferson Construction Company, of Birmingham, with a capital stock of \$125,000, Friday gave notice of its incorporation to Secretary of State E. R. McDavid. The incorporators are W. H. Woodward, Frank Nelson, Jr., and F. B. Nabers.

Other notices of incorporation were filed as follows:

Alabama Mining Company, with a capital stock of \$100,000. The headquarters of the company are at Birmingham. The incorporators are S. J. Simpson, E. D. Stone, and R. P. Gaines.

Crockett Wall Paper Company, of Birmingham, with a capital stock of \$5,000. The incorporators are J. R. Adams, Kate C. Adams and W. J. Crockett.

### Great Mining Improvement.

Ensley, Ala.—The Tennessee company is doing a large amount of improvement and repairing at mine No. 5, near Wylam, of the Pratt division. New machinery is being installed, the tipple is being repaired and new tracks are being laid. The company is also building fifty new houses near the mines in which the miners and their families will live.

For the past several weeks a large force of workmen have been engaged in installing new machinery and making other improvements.

When the plans projected are carried out No. 5 will be one of the best equipped mines in the state. For the past two or three years it seems that the policy of the Tennessee company is to equip all of its mines with modern machinery. No. 3 has recently been made one of the best mines in the state, and now No. 5 will soon rank in the same class.

The company is also sinking another shaft on its properties near Booker City.

### White Men Sentenced.

Montgomery, Ala.—J. H. Wise and Lawrence McDonald, white men, charged with grand larceny, entered pleas of guilty in the criminal division of the city court of Montgomery and were sentenced to two years each in the penitentiary by Judge William H. Thomas.

Wise was charged with stealing an overcoat from J. H. Dodd at the Hogan house, where both men were rooming, while McDonald took a similar article of apparel from the residence of Patrolman T. J. Swearingen. He was employed to paint the house occupied by Mr. Swearingen, and was subsequently discharged. He returned, however, and took the overcoat.

The men will be taken to the penitentiary in a few days.

### Heavy Damages.

Gadsden, Ala.—A verdict for \$11,500 damages was rendered against the Alabama Steel and Wire Company in the city court in the case of the administrator of a man named Cahill, who sued for \$25,000 for the death of Cahill.

### Cow Ordinance in Force.

Florence, Ala.—The beginning of a new era was marked in Florence Friday when the ordinance prohibiting the running at large of cows within old Florence went into effect.

It is expected that the city, which is already one of the most beautiful in the south, will be greatly improved by the planting of trees and the removal of fences. The Civic Improvement Association worked long and faithfully for the cow ordinance with the view of planting trees in the streets and encouraging the planting of flowers in the yards.

The ordinance as originally passed has been amended so as to change the boundary, including East Florence.

### Iron Pipe Improvement.

Bessemer, Ala.—The United States Cast Iron Pipe and Foundry company is making preparations to shortly begin work on the proposed improvements on its plant, near this city. It is estimated that the company will expend about \$250,000 on addition and improvements. When the present plans are completed the capacity of the plant will be doubled.

## THE COTTON OUTLOOK

The Investigations of Commissioner Stevens of Georgia, on the Situation.

### PREDICTS BIG REDUCTION.

From Investigations, Says Acreage Will Be One-fourth Less and Fertilizers One-third.

Atlanta, Ga.—Hon. O. B. Stevens, commissioner of agriculture of the state of Georgia, has written a letter to Hon. G. W. Koerner, of Richmond, Va., who is president of the Association of Commissioners of Agriculture of the South, in which he paints a picture of prosperity on part of the Southern farmer and the South generally that will no doubt be read with great interest throughout the country. The information which Mr. Stevens writes Mr. Koerner is gathered from several hundred letters he sent out to the different Southern states in February. His statement is based on the information contained in the replies to his letters.

Mr. Stevens says the farmers are better off than they ever were before; that they have, in many instances, cash enough to run their farms; that many of them have cotton and are able to hold it; that the South generally is in good shape.

Furthermore, Mr. Stevens says the reduction in cotton acreage throughout the South will be 25 per cent. and that the reduction in the use of commercial fertilizers will be 33 1/3 per cent.

### Mr. Stevens' Letter.

The following is what Mr. Stevens wrote Mr. Koerner:

Since I last saw you many changes have taken place, and the condition of our planters and merchants in the Southern states has induced me to seek for information from all sources to find the condition of general trade of our country. I find to my surprise that the planters in the Southern states are in a much better condition than I had thought for. They have more grain, more forage, more meat; in fact, more home supplies than for many years. They are in a much better condition to make a crop for the year 1905 than the general public is aware of. A great number of our people have cash enough on hand to run their farms. Our merchants are in a good condition, with a few exceptions. I am sorry to say that a few of them bought cotton last fall in order to settle their accounts with their customers at from 8 to 10c. per pound, and a number of them have this cotton still on hand. A few of them went wild and speculated in futures. These, of course, lost. But, as a general rule, our business people in the Southern states are in good shape. The trade has improved very much, not only in the Southern states, but in all the states and even in the foreign countries mills are running on full time, and they have been able to sell all their product at a fair profit, most of them at least six months ahead and a few of them as far as twelve months ahead. So when we come to sum it all up, the general condition of trade is in good shape. Every article of merchandise is bringing its value except cotton, which is below the cost of production. These commodities have all got to adjust themselves. Cotton must go higher or the other commodities of merchandise will be reduced in price. In other words, they must get nearer together.

### Big Reduction in Acreage.

I have been in correspondence with all the commissioners of the Southern states, and on the 17th of February I wrote each one of them to know what was the financial condition of the farmers was compared to last year; how long they would be able to hold their cotton when so inclined; what per cent. of decrease in acreage would likely be made and how much they would likely reduce their fertilizers. I have heard from the states of Tennessee, Arkansas, Texas, Oklahoma, Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama and Louisiana. The reply came from all these states that the condition of the planters was never better; that at least 85 per cent. of the cotton now on hand can be held indefinitely; that since the first day of last January about 15 per cent. of the cotton then on hand had been sold, but that the planters and merchants are not inclined to sell at present prices and that they are now making arrangements to hold their cotton indefinitely; that the decrease in acreage for the cotton crop of 1905 will not be less than 20 per cent. and a few states report that it will be as high as 33 1/3 per cent.; that the fertilizers will be materially decreased. The average decrease reported up to

### Tax Commissioners.

Montgomery, Ala.—State Tax Commissioner Harvey E. Jones appointed the following tax commissioners for the counties named, the same having been approved by Acting Governor Cunningham: N. A. Hood, Ashville, St. Clair county; W. M. Willis, Opelika, Lee county; W. M. Sudduth, Kennedy, Lamar county; Bert B. Hays, Abbeville, Henry county.

the present writing from all the states being a fraction over 25 per cent. So if the planters hold out and stand by the resolutions which they have made, it looks now that the crop of cotton and fertilizers will be materially reduced and that more ground will be put in corn and forage of all descriptions and pasture for their stock. So at present the outlook is at least hopeful.

### As to Georgia.

Speaking of Georgia, my own state, I have mixed and mingled with the people a great deal, and while we have had a great deal to discourage us—low prices of cotton and bad weather—we have been unable up to now to do but very little farm work. In fact, there is scarcely any preparation for the coming crop. We have only been able to repair our fences, clean out our ditches, but unable to do any plowing. Therefore we have now (March 1st) got to commence to prepare our lands for the coming crop.

Our planters are in good condition and perfectly able to hold their cotton indefinitely, and in my judgment, will reduce their acreage not less than 20 per cent., and the fertilizers will be reduced accordingly. In fact, the department of agriculture of this state sold less than 25 per cent. of fertilizer tax tags during the months of January and February, 1905, as compared to the same months of 1904.

It is to be hoped that our people will stand by the plans which they have adopted for the coming crop. Should there be another large crop of cotton made in the South, we will feel the effects of it for the next ten years. If we should raise only an eight or nine million bale crop this year, then we will see cotton go back to a living price for the producer, and our southland will be the most prosperous section in the country.

Very truly yours,

O. B. STEVENS,  
Commissioner of Agriculture.

### Express Car Rifled by Three Robbers.

Memphis, Tenn.—Eastbound passenger train No. 203 on the St. Louis and San Francisco railroad, known as "The Arkansas Traveler," was stopped by three bandits eight miles south of Mammoth Springs, Ark., Thursday, and the express car was robbed. The safe was blown open and all of its contents were secured.

The train was signaled shortly after leaving Mammoth Springs by three men heavily armed. They entered the car of the Southern Express Company and covered Messenger Harry White with revolvers. After rifling the safe the robbers made a dash for the woods and escaped.

The train, which was due in Memphis at noon, arrived an hour late, and a report of the hold-up was immediately made to the railroad and express officials. The officers of the Southern Express Company in this city state they do not know the amount of money secured by the robbers.

Messenger White went to the company's offices and has not made a statement.

The amount of money usually carried on this train is not large.

### Policeman Hurt.

Gadsden, Ala.—D. L. Garner, night policeman, happened to a serious accident last night while in the discharge of his duty. A call was sent in from a residence on Forest avenue that burglars were breaking in and Officers Garner and Singleton mounted their horses and left in a gallop for the scene. As the officers were going up the hill on Forest avenue Garner's horse stumbled and he was thrown violently to the ground, rendering him unconscious for some time. An examination by his brother officer showed that he was badly hurt and he was taken into the home of a doctor nearby, where it was ascertained that his right shoulder was out of place and his leg above the knee was split open, requiring several stitches to close it up. Mr. Garner had a narrow escape from breaking his neck, and will be laid up for some time.

### Interviewed by Solicitor.

Birmingham, Ala.—Solicitor Dave Almond, of Morgan county; Fred Bloodworth, brother of Miss Belle Bloodworth, who was murdered in New Decatur a few weeks ago, with Detective Charles H. Hefflin, called at the county jail here and interviewed John Collier and Harvey Smith, the two negroes arrested in New Decatur charged with the murder of Miss Bloodworth and brought here for safe keeping.

The negroes denied the crime. Collier is said to have told the New Decatur authorities that Smith confessed to him of committing the murder. No announcement is made yet as to when the negroes will be taken back to New Decatur for trial. There is considerable ill feeling against the negroes in Morgan county and fears were expressed that they would be lynched, hence their being brought to Birmingham.

### Would Make Pipe Lines Common.

Austin, Tex.—The senate Friday finally passed an oil bill that will place all pipe lines in Texas under the jurisdiction of the railroad commission, fix a minimum rate for the same and provide for monthly statements of all persons using the lines as to oil they have in storage and what is anticipated for the subsequent thirty days. The bill now goes to the house, where a bitter fight is expected.

## DULY INAUGURATED.

The President Leads in the Parade. All Sections Are Represented.

### MILITARY PLAY A PART.

Cadets and Middles Attract Much Attention—Philippines and Porto Rico Get Applause.

Washington, D. C.—President Roosevelt descended the steps which were put in place in front of the inaugural stand and took his carriage without re-entering the capitol.

The inaugural parade began at 1:20 o'clock, and as the president's carriage, followed by that of Vice President Fairbanks and those of the members of the cabinet, proceeded through the capitol grounds, the vast throng hastily placed itself on either side of the line of march and cheered without ceasing. The procession moved slowly and Mr. Roosevelt, in acknowledging the salutes from either side, rose to his feet repeatedly, and with his silk hat in his hand, bowed to the right and left. The buildings facing the capitol grounds through which the procession passed, were occupied to their full capacity with cheering people, who waived flags and handkerchiefs. No incident marred in the slightest degree the inaugural address and proceeded down past the peace monument and took its way to the white house on the broad avenue.

### President Leads Parade.

The procession formed immediately behind the carriages of the presidential party and in order previously arranged marched from the capitol.

The president led the parade in quick marching time to the white house. No president in recent years has been as prompt in moving from one end of the avenue to the other. The troops marched in ideal weather, the sky being clear, the sun warm and a fair breeze blowing. The president lost no time in formalities.

The pageant moved amid the frantic applause of thousands who packed the line of march on either side to view the spectacular and public feature of the day. The platoon of mounted police who led the way put their horses ahead in a rapid gallop in order to clear the avenue of thousands who were crowding on the curbing behind the ropes. The Fifth artillery band followed the platoon of police and in stirring time led the on-coming marchers. The more military character of the return from the capitol as contrasted with the march to the capitol was due in part to the fact that the old veterans who followed the president on foot this morning, bade him farewell at the capitol and their places were taken by the mounted police on the staff of the grand marshal and their special aids. Squadron "A" of the New York National Guard in their brilliant uniform of blue, again formed the president's personal escort together with the officers of the president's old Rough Rider regiment.

### Cadets Make Fine Showing.

The cadets, headed by Brig. Gen. Fred Grant, and under their old superintendent, Brigadier General Mills, acquitted themselves splendidly. The boys marched like veterans, and although many of them had friends and relatives and sweethearts along the line of march, they never turned their eyes to the right or left, but marched like clockwork.

The midshipmen surprised everybody. Sailors are not supposed to be good foot soldiers, yet beyond question the two battalions from Annapolis, 700 strong, gave the West Pointers the hardest contest they had ever had for first place in a parade. The boys, in their navy blue, tightly-fitting, tailless jackets and leggings, marched with a precision that was wonderful and were cheered at almost every step.

In their wake came the revenue marine cadets, a new feature in the inaugural parade, and one so attractive as to be sure of retention in the future.

The heart of the army, the mainstay of disciplinarians, the splendidly drilled engineers were represented by the second battalion, Major Burr commanding, and as the men marched in files of twenty double ranks in perfect alignment they received unlimited applause.

The signal corps, the provisional regiment made up of two battalions and the coast artillery, all had representatives.

### Porto Rico Well Represented.

Porto Rico was well represented in the parade. Major Thomas Griffith

### Statue of Wallace.

Indianapolis, Ind.—The Indiana senate passed a bill appropriating \$5,000 for a statue of General Lew Wallace, to be placed in the capitol at Washington.

Geneva, Ala.—Geneva is soon to have a first-class system of water-works. The bonds for that purpose having been recently sold and contract awarded.

or the regulars, commanded the battalion of the Porto Rico, provisional regiment, which came all the way from their island home to participate in the president's inaugural. They were a sturdy lot of men, smaller perhaps of stature than their American brothers in the service, but well built, thoroughly trained in marching.

About 2 o'clock the troops came to a halt, the president having reached the white house on schedule time and gone to his official home for a hurried luncheon.

### Dance on Tops of Building.

The men as they rested on their arms along the avenue seemed glad of the opportunity the wait gave them to spruce up to pass in review before their newly inaugurated president. While at parade rest the soldiers amused themselves watching the scenes along the curbing. Incidents of human interest were many. On the top of a building opposite the post-office a young man and his girl danced a two-step to the rapid melody of "Back to Baltimore," played by one of the bands in the parade.

It was exactly five minutes before 3 o'clock when the Philippine scouts who were toward the last second brigade, first division of the military of the grand division, resumed their march and passed the postoffice department with as perfect a line as was to be seen in the parade.

### President's Neighbors Take Part.

The president's "Neighbors" were a feature of the parade. There were several hundred citizens of Oyster Bay and vicinity, and knew the president in his younger days.

"The big stick" had a prominent place in line and provoked much enthusiasm. This was the emblem of the republican club of Ulster county, N. Y., in which Alton B. Parker lives.

Leading the second brigade of the first division, was the Israel W. Durham club of Philadelphia, William S. Vane commanding.

Leading the Union Republican Club of Philadelphia was "William Penn" carrying in his hand his famous treaty with the Indians, and accompanied by several members of the club, attired as Indians of Pennsylvania's time.

The members of the club wore long olive green overcoats. A picturesque feature of this section of the parade were twelve anthracite miners of Wilkesbarre, Pa., wearing in their white caps the miners' lamps and carrying a banner on which was written, "We honor the man who settled our strike."

The rail-splitters of the Lincoln Club of Toledo, O., in their striking uniforms of purple, with white facings, formed an effective feature. General Wheeler, who was the marshal of the second division of the grand civic division, was applauded frequently by the crowd and responded gracefully, lifting his chapeau.

### Cowboys Were the Feature.

At this stage in the parade came the feature which of all others perhaps attracted the most attention. It was the "Cowboys of the west," headed by Capt. Seth Bullock, who set on his horse as if on an easy chair, with his long mustache twisted by the wind, and his left arm resting akimbo on his hip. The cowboys were a sight to see, for while they all wore wild western rig, no two of them were clad alike. Some wore blue shirts, some sported red, some wore huge sheep-skin caps, while others had leather breeches, and still others wore leggings. Lassos hung on the pummels of their saddles, and the pearl and ebony handles of six-shooters stuck out aggressively from capacious holsters, suspended from their belts. Just to show what they could do, now and then they roped a small, terrified African in the circling folds of a lariat, and their horses danced to and fro across the avenue while their riders whipped and yelled and saluted the pretty girls at every window.

Newsboys Cadets Attract Attention.

The newsboys, cadets of Toledo, O., was the first organization of this kind to figure in a president's inaugural parade, and the young fellows acquitted themselves well. Another of the striking novelties of this day's marching, was the Harvard Republican Club, fresh from the president's alma mater, with their academic student's gowns and mortar board caps marching in excellent form.

The third and last division which terminated the day's demonstration was made up of colored citizens under the lead of Judson W. Lyons, registrar of the United States treasury, who acted as marshal. In line here were a number of colored clubs which have become veterans in campaign work, and they made an excellent showing.

Beginning shortly after 2 o'clock at the capitol, the last of the marchers passed the president's reviewing stand soon after 6 o'clock.

Australia has 210 churches to every 100,000 people. England has 114 and Russia about fifty-five.

### Thirty-Five Bales of Cotton Burns.

Opelika, Ala.—Saturday evening at Longdale, thirty-five bales of cotton belonging to L. S. Combs were destroyed by fire. The cotton was in the barn, which was also destroyed, with all the corn and fodder. Mr. Combs was absent at the time and the cause of the fire is unknown. The cotton was insured.



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Columbiana, March 9, 1905.

Let everybody in Columbiana work for the upbuilding of the town.

The public roads throughout the county are getting in good condition since the rains.

What about that new railroad coming through Columbiana? We need it and ought to have it.

Tom Watson's Magazine and The Advocate one year for \$1.75; send all orders to this office.

The farmers are still holding their cotton for better prices, and we think they will get it before long.

We learn that the furances at Shelby will soon be put into blast after an idleness of several months.

Before many months longer Columbiana will have an electric light plant, which is badly needed in our town.

What is the city council going to do with the canning factory? Something ought to be done with this property.

About how many of our citizens want to be on the city council? We don't need any boys on the council, however.

It seems that the farmers in this county are not going to use very much fertilizer this year owing to the low price of cotton. That's the proper thing to do.

We notice that the merchants are selling their cotton that they have been holding for a better price at 7 1/2 cents. The price of cotton will never go to 10 cents unless the merchants stick to the farmers and this they should do.

Whenever the return forces find themselves following a leader that the daily press and plutocracy generally does not assault, the army may as well be disbanded until some man is found to lead at whom the daily press and plutocracy never cease to hurl epithets.

Tom Watson's Magazine for March is out, and it contains 128 pages of reading matter besides the advertisements. It is neatly printed and bound. The editorial department by Hon. Thos. E. Watson on the political situation is something worth reading, and every reformer in this county should subscribe for this magazine.

## Important to Farmers.

To the Cotton Growers of Shelby Co.:

You are hereby called to meet at the voting places in the various beats at 1 o'clock P. M., on Saturday, March 11th, and to organize by the election of a chairman, secretary and treasurer and three canvassers to canvass each beat, not already organized; also three or more delegates from each beat to a county meeting on Saturday, the 18th day of March, 1905, at 10 A. M. in the city of Columbiana. The secretaries of the beat meetings are directed to enroll as members of the Southern Cotton Growers Association, all persons who sign pledges to reduce cotton acreage and fertilizers not less than 25 per cent. below that of 1904, and the payment of 25 cents to carry out the plan of organization adopted at New Orleans January 24th to 26th, and ratified by the State organization in convention assembled at the capitol, in the city of Montgomery, February 1, 1905, each beat delegation will be requested to report to the county meeting as follows:

1. Acreage in cotton in 1904.
2. Probable acreage in cotton in 1905.
3. Number of bales now being held in each beat for better prices.

HOSEA PEARSON,  
Chairman Cotton Association Shelby county.

## Southern Cotton Association.

Montgomery, Feb. 28, 1905.

To the people of Alabama:

Not many weeks ago a laylo of prosperity, the like of which, in its brightness, was never seen before, encircled our southland and made glad our hearts; but it suddenly disappeared, and the gloom which followed was dark in contrast.

Realizing the cause of this unhappy change and with a sincere desire on the part of all to restore the happy conditions that previously obtained a convention of delegates from every affected state was called for the purpose of considering a plan by which the desired might be accomplished. Alabama was represented at that convention by some one hundred or more delegates, most of whom were selected by you, and because of their ability and integrity.

The convention was held as provided, in the city of New Orleans, and all the cotton states were there represented.

The result of the convention was the hearty and unanimous endorsement by the delegates of all the states of the plan which had been generally urged by you; and so impressed were the delegates from all the states of the necessity of co operation, and with the earnest desire of the people to co-operate, that each delegation assured the convention that the plan there promulgated would be acceptable to, and carried out by the people of their respective states.

That each delegation on that occasion faithfully and well represented its people was demonstrated by the unanimous and enthusiastic ratification and adoption by conventions in all the states, composed of delegates from the various counties who were elected for the special purpose of considering the plan outlined at New Orleans.

That the plan adopted, if carried into execution, will prove our economic conditions and place our country in the front rank of commercial and industrial progress all admit. Then does it not become the duty of every one to contribute his part in this work—a part which has been determined, agreed upon and approved?

It is not contemplated that any one should make a sacrifice, but rather that every one should so act that the fruits of his industry may be in keeping with the teaching, "the laborer is worthy of his hire," and that his efforts may redound to his good and the good of all.

We live in a land, which through its climate, has the God-given monopoly of supplying the people of the earth with one of the necessities of life—rayment. In the hope of finding similar climate, Governments of other countries have sent explorers into unknown lands, but in vain. Our climate and soil are adapted to the growth, the luxuriant growth, of a greater diversity of grain, plants, fruits and vegetables that are useful to man and beasts than are those of any other country. Brooks course through unpastured meadows, finally settling in channels whose banks are covered with a forage the very abundance of which affords shelter from winter's winds, and great forests rear their heads as if in anticipation of the woodman's coming, and throw down their nutritious seed in wasteful abundance.

We have abused our opportunities; in that we have failed to demand and to receive a fair price for our product, and have been content to pay high prices for products that we naturally should have produced.

At last a change has been determined upon, and though the work is one of immense proportions and one that will test both patience and perseverance, let us the more be determined upon its final and successful achievement. It is a work in which not only the farmer, but every man—banker, merchant, manufacturer, professional man and laborer is interested.

The other states represented at New Orleans have the right to expect that Alabama will do her part. Let it be done so that when the day of reckoning comes, as it will come, her citizens will have the proud consciousness of knowing that she had kept the faith and had done her part.

We start into this work under the most favorable circumstances, as the press of the state, realizing the great good to come from such a movement, and show a willing-

## COMMISSIONER'S SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT

Of the Treasurer of Receipts and Disbursements of the County  
From July 1st, 1904, to January 1st, 1905.

### RECEIPTS OF GENERAL FUND.

Balance on hand last report	\$ 203 00
J. P. Pearson, judges fees and removal bill	182 46
J. P. Pearson, judges fees	18 85
A. P. Longshore, for license and redemption of land	90 00
Amount paid into Treasury by Overseers	80 00
J. H. Robertson, taxes	574 81
J. H. Robertson, taxes for 1904	378 36
J. R. Dyke, judges fees	49 88
J. P. Pearson, ex-Clerk, judges fees	147 25
J. R. Vandarslice, stray money	4 00
J. H. Robertson, taxes 1904	3,333 30

Total receipts \$ 5,233 89

### DISBURSEMENTS.

Gus Kirkland, janitor at court house	\$ 33 00
H. B. Whitaker, subscriptions and stationery	12 05
R. F. Cox, removing Larkin Johnson	18 85
P. J. Henderson, holding county court	113 00
H. B. Whitaker, printing stationery	5 50
D. B. Burman, lumber and nails for road	4 25
R. F. Cox, clothing for prisoners and stamps for office	20 25
A. P. Longshore, ex-officio service	150 00
A. P. Longshore, making abstract book	125 00
Work on public roads	127 84
R. F. Cox, waiting on county court	12 00
Dr. A. T. Rowe, county physician 3 months	40 00
Minnie Foster, assistance outside poor house	13 32
R. F. Cox, removing Abram Mooney to jail	11 47
R. F. Cox, ex-officio service	150 00
R. F. Cox, executing Larkin Johnson	50 00
R. F. Griffin, services as commissioner	1 65
Pleasant Shaw, services as commissioner	30 05
A. P. Longshore, services as commissioner	9 00
Latham Drug Co., drugs for poor house	14 61
A. P. Longshore, stamps for office	8 85
Shelby Iron Company, repairs for water tank	32 62
R. B. Posey, services as commissioner	36 60
L. R. Kendrick, services as commissioner	16 10
J. W. Peers, work on water works	37 25
W. P. Davis, freight on car coal	24 05
Rufus Lester, goods for county	21 30
Mary Sanders, assistance outside poor house	10 00
T. W. Tinney, tearing down fence for county	2 00
E. Simpson, assistance outside poor house	2 50
N. Isbell, assistance outside poor house	5 00
Montevallo Coal Mining Company, coal for county	200 00
L. Q. Gould, keeping Elias Armstrong outside poor house	27 00
J. B. Pitts, night watching court house and jail	10 00
Ed Hunter, chain barer for county	75
Southern Coal & Coke Company, supplies furnished small pox patients	8 00
A. P. R. Dahl, services in making school districts	14 00
R. F. Cox, waiting on circuit court 20 days	40 00
R. F. Cox, attending county court	4 00
Dave Ray, assistance outside poor house	110 00
Petit Jurors, August term County court and Fall term circuit court, 1904	1,495 50
Grand Jurors, fall term, 1904	536 00
Election managers and returning officers, November 1904	317 10
Columbiana Mercantile Company, goods for poor house and jail	19 00
Gaf Harkins, making coffin for proper	5 00
Rufin Brothers, goods for small pox patients	6 33
James L. Parnell, assistance outside poor house	4 00
Shelby County Supply Co., goods for poor house and jail	26 10
J. W. Johnston, goods for county	263 00
J. R. White, for house and lot for county	3 00
John B. Farrell, postage	8 00
Dick Stewart, assistance outside poor house	15 00
J. P. Pearson, stamps for clerk's office	7 00
W. W. Richardson, work on court house and jail	14 75
M. E. Millsap, feeding jurors and bailiff circuit court, fall term, 1904	84 50
White & Davis Phone Co., rent of phone 3 months	4 50
Martha Gothard, assistance outside poor house	6 66
C. H. Florey, use of house election day	1 00
Birmingham Ledger, advertisement	1 68
Petit jurors county court and bailiffs county court, November term, 1904	334 90
J. P. Pearson, fees in Sci. Fa's. when State failed	16 13

Total paid out \$ 4,599 44

### SPECIAL FUND.

Balance on hand last report	\$ 327 10
J. H. Robertson, taxes 1904	169 19
J. H. Robertson, taxes, T. C. I. R. R. Company	229 72
J. H. Robertson, taxes	1,333 32
Total receipts	\$ 2,059 33
DISBURSEMENTS.	
George Harless, work on bridge	\$ 5 00
J. L. Foust, work on bridge	9 11
H. H. Baldwin, work on bridge	50 79
P. J. Henderson, work on road	15 25
C. W. Blackerby, building bridge over Yellow Leaf creek and repairing bridge over Harpersville creek	112 50
Dobson & Bynum, part payment on jail	1000 00
Dobson & Bynum, part payment on jail	500 00
J. M. Comer and Jake Zoiderhoek, part payment building bridge over Buck Creek	100 00
J. B. Griffin, part payment building bridge across Beaver Dam creek	100 00
Total	\$ 1,892 65
Balance on hand	\$ 166 68

A. P. Longshore, Pleasant Shaw, R. J. Griffin, R. B. Posey and John E. Dykes, Commissioners.

ness to lend its valuable assistance toward its consummation

W. H. SEYMORE,  
President.

Health of community good.

Early spring and the farmers hustling the plow.

R. S. Farr was in Columbiana one day last week.

J. T. Lynch and wife visited W. Y. Ozley and family Sunday.

Abe Smith passed through our community last Sunday with a smile on his face nearly a yard long.

EARLY BOY.

FOR SALE—Four Jersey milch cows with young calves.

Apply to,  
J. M. Baldwin,  
4 miles southeast of Shelby.

A CHICAGO ALDERMAN OWES HIS ELECTION TO CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY.

"I can heartily and conscientiously recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for affections of the throat and lungs," says Hon. John Shenick, 220 So. Peoria St., Chicago. "Two years ago during a political campaign, I caught cold after being overheated, which irritated my throat and I was finally compelled to stop, as I could not speak aloud. In my extremity a friend advised me to use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I took two doses that afternoon and could not believe my senses when I found the next morning the inflammation had largely subsided. I took several doses that day, kept right on talking through the campaign, and I think this medicine that I won my seat in the Council." This remedy is for sale by Williams Brothers.

The singing at W. L. Garrett's Saturday night was a grand success.

Mr. J. W. Jones was the happy escort of Miss Annie Hall Sunday afternoon.

W. H. Haywood is wearing a long face since he returned from South Galera.

Glen Harless, of Dargins, was in our community Sunday.

Mr. Luther Hale was the happy escort of Miss Eula Sweet Sunday.

Miss Ola Coates, a charming young lady of Keystone, visited friends here Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Arthur Payne looks quite sad since his girl has gone to wearing spectacles. Cheer up Arthur, she is not weak eyed, she is only wearing them for style.

Miss David Jones wears a pleasant smile since Mr. E. returned from Texas.

The farmers union is all the go. We hope for them much success.

A. A. W. D.

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Irish Potatoes for planting—Triumph, Early Rose and Peerless.

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Complete Line of Cattle.

SEED OATS—Burt and Rust Proof.

I have moved my stock into the Armstrong building adjoining Mercantile Company's store, where I have added to my stock farm supplies, such as—

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Highest Market Price Paid for Dry Hides, Chickens, Eggs and all

Country Produce.

Goods Delivered to City Patrons Free.

Fresh Meats of all Kind Always on hand.

Call and get my prices before purchasing.

T. F. Atkinson,

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On sale first and third Tuesday of each month.

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Account Southern Baptist Convention, one fare plus 50 cents for the round trip, on sale May 7th to 11th.

\$34.50 Birmingham to California.

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Other Pacific Coast Points very low.

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In buying a cough medicine for children never be afraid to buy Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. There is no danger from it and relief is always sure to follow. It is especially valuable for colds, croup and whooping cough. For sale by Williams Brothers.

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Young milch cows with young calves; in good condition. Will sell cheap for cash or on easy terms.

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Six miles north of Columbiana.

If it is a bilious attack take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and a quick cure is certain. For sale by Williams Brothers.

When a man has the presence of mind to squeeze his wife's hand when people are looking she will forgive him for a whole lot of times he didn't when nobody was around.

## Colds

It should be borne in mind that every cold weakens the lungs, lowers the vitality and prepares the system for the more serious diseases, among which are the two greatest destroyers of human life, pneumonia and consumption.

## Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

has won its great popularity by its prompt cures of this most common ailment. It aids expectoration, relieves the lungs and opens the secretions, effecting a speedy and permanent cure. It counteracts any tendency toward pneumonia.

Price 25c, Large Size 50c.

FOR SALE BY

A. P. Longshore,

Judge of Probate.

2 23 St.

Notice.

The State of Alabama, Shelby County.

Probate Court, February 20th, 1905.

Anderson Hale, deceased, estate of.

This day came A. T. Thomas, Administrator of said estate, and filed his application in due form and under oath, praying for an order of sale of certain lands, described therein and belonging to said estate, for the purpose of paying the debts, upon the ground that the personal property is insufficient therefor. It is ordered that the 13th day of March, 1905, be appointed a day for hearing such application, at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

A. P. Longshore,

Judge of Probate.

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## PAPOOSE POPCORN

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A subscriber to the Southern Agriculturist secured the original seed from an old Indian in Northwest Texas. After experimenting with it seven years he wrote that paper: "With good ground and care it will make from 50 to 100 bushels to the acre, and planted thick and cut stalk and all it will make more feed and better feed than anything I ever saw. The old Indian said poultry fed on it would never have the cholera. I have not lost a fowl with cholera since I have been raising it. It also pops beautifully." This article brought hundreds of requests for seed, and now only a few bushels are left. Send 10c for a 3 month trial subscription to the Southern Agriculturist, 33 C. P. Bldg., Nashville, Tenn., and you will get 100 seed by return mail, also details of \$50 prize seed-growing contest.

## EGGS—FOR SALE!

15 for 50 cents, Thorough Bred and Plymouthbrook.

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## J. L. PETERS,

Attorney-at-law and

Solicitor in Chancery.

COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA.

## SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

Condensed Schedule in Effect November 6, 1904.

No. 22	No. 16	STATIONS.	No. 15	No. 21
7:00pm	5:30am	Ar. Mobile	Ar. Mobile	7:00pm
1:00pm	5:30pm	Ar. Mobile	Ar. Mobile	1:00pm
5:30am	10:00pm	Ar. Mobile	Ar. Mobile	5:30am
9:40am	.....	Ar. Mobile	Ar. Mobile	9:40am
1:40pm	.....	Ar. Mobile	Ar. Mobile	1:40pm
5:40pm	.....	Ar. Mobile	Ar. Mobile	5:40pm
9:15pm	.....	Ar. Mobile	Ar. Mobile	9:15pm
1:00am	.....	Ar. Mobile	Ar. Mobile	1:00am
6:20am	.....	Ar. Mobile	Ar. Mobile	6:20am
12:40pm	.....	Ar. Mobile	Ar. Mobile	12:40pm

No. 22 and 16 carry Pullman sleeping cars between Mobile and Birmingham and New York. Cafe car serves meals on route.

No. 15

STATIONS.

No. 16

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Table Luxuries of all descriptions.

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Feed Stuff.

Bicycles Fixtures—Also Bicycles.

Don't forget we have oysters twice a week—Tuesday and Friday.

COME TO SEE US.

GIVE US A SHOW AND WE WILL DO THE REST.

ROBERTS & ROBERTSON.

## THE PEOPLE'S ADVOCATE

### Social and Local News.

J. M. Dover, of Pelham, was in town Friday.

Sam Thomas, of Willsboro, was in town Saturday.

Prof. W. S. McEwen, of beat 9, was in town Saturday.

J. A. Nichols, of Childersburg, was in the city Friday.

W. A. Thompson was on the sick list several days last week.

J. K. Milner, of Anniston, was in the city last Thursday.

T. E. Atkinson was in Birmingham Monday on business.

J. W. M. Page and family visited relatives at Shelby Sunday.

Walter Richardson went up to Talladega Friday on business.

W. M. Connell, of beat 2, was among the visitors here Saturday.

Minor Hendrick visited relatives in Montevallo Saturday and Sunday.

Tax Collector Robertson spent Thursday on his farm near Wilsonville.

Rev. G. T. Harris will preach at the Methodist church next Sunday.

Prof. John Stone, of Calvary, was in town a short while Saturday.

Dr. C. T. Acker spent a few days in Montevallo this week with friends.

A. H. Avery and wife, of Shelby, were in the city a short while Saturday.

Mrs. Howard Latham visited her parents in Montevallo Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. F. A. Thomas, who was quite sick last week, is able to be up again.

W. J. Nelson and wife, of Shelby Springs, spent Saturday here with friends.

Mrs. H. E. Whitaker returned Sunday from a visit to Montevallo and Wilton.

Joel Thomas and family, of Bessemer, visited relatives here several days last week.

J. W. Dykes and family, of Ironaton, visited relatives and friends here this week.

Sheriff Cox and Deputy Sheriff Norris were in Birmingham Saturday on business.

A. H. Merrell, of Farmer, was in town last Thursday and while here called in to see us.

Mrs. J. W. Johnston is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. S. Nelson, at Wylam for a few days.

J. D. Scott and family, of Virginia City, visited the family of W. E. Harrison last week.

Mrs. L. N. Bowdon, of Calera, visited her mother, Mrs. Wilson, here Friday and Saturday.

There was quite a crowd in town Saturday trading, and our merchants report a good business.

R. M. Payne, of beat 7, was in the city Saturday, and while here renewed his subscription to the Advocate.

Supt. J. O. Dorrough has bought the C. B. Elliott place on East College street and has moved his family here from Dunnivant. We welcome them to our town.

J. A. Cates, of Wilton, was in the city a short while Saturday.

Wednesday night, March 22, is the night to go to the College Hall.

Mrs. E. Porter, who has been sick for several days, is improving.

Mrs. E. B. Nelson returned Monday from a visit to Tuscaloosa and Empire.

Supt. J. O. Dorrough, of Dunnivant, was in the city a few days last week on business connected with his office.

B. J. Holcombe and J. R. Cargile, two of Calera's prominent citizens, were in the city Thursday last on business.

From the plainest sewing to the handsomest dresses can be had by calling on Mrs. J. W. Peers, at residence on Depot street.

T. S. Millsap made a business trip over to Sylacauga Friday. He informs us that he will probably leave the hotel at that place.

Miss Janie Wallace, who is teaching school out in the Kingdom community, spent Sunday here with her sister, Mrs. W. A. Parker.

Will Bird, of Phenix City, spent a few days in the city last week with relatives. He was called here by the illness of his mother, Mrs. W. H. Bird.

City Marshal Eddings, of Montevallo, was in the city Friday. He brought a negro up and lodged him in jail; the negro is charged with cutting another negro.

Rev. J. E. Bird, of Graceville, spent Saturday and Sunday here with his father and mother, Prof. and Mrs. W. H. Bird. He was called here by the illness of his mother.

W. H. Gilbert, who has been taking a corresponding course in Optics has accepted a position with the Globe Optical Co., of Gordon, Ala. He left last Saturday for Centerville, where he will do his first work.

Alfred Parker, the ten year old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Parker, died at the home of his parent in the Kingdom community Sunday afternoon after an illness of several weeks. He was stricken with paralysis about two months ago which caused his death. His remains were interred in the Wiltonville cemetery Monday. The Advocate extends sympathy to the bereaved family and relatives.

Miss Clara Watkins from Atlanta, Ga., arrived in the city Monday and now has charge of the millinery department of T. J. Weaver & Co. Miss Watkins wishes to announce that the millinery opening will take place March 29th 30th and 31st, when the prettiest line of Ladies, Misses and Childrens Hats ever showed in in Columbiana will be on exhibition.

The audience which greeted the Chicago Glee Club at Seal's Hall was a most enthusiastic and appreciative one indeed, and enjoyed to the fullest extent, the excellent and varied program which was so superbly rendered. The male quartette is one of the best ever heard here. The comic numbers also revealed the actor's ability upon the part of the members of the quartette and they were forced to respond to encore after encore.

Birmingham News, Birmingham, Alabama.

W. J. Horsley spent Saturday in Birmingham.

Mrs. W. L. Farley has been sick for several days.

C. M. L. Fancher, of beat 11, was in the city Tuesday.

Mrs. J. B. Nelson, we are sorry to state, is quite sick.

Sam Leonard, of Birmingham, was in the city Saturday.

Mrs. W. H. Bird is quite sick at her home on East College street.

Remember the date, March 22, The Chicago Glee Club at College Hall.

Prof. S. P. Williamson, of Coalville, was in town a short while Saturday.

The Chicago Glee Club at the College Hall, Wednesday night, March 22.

Ed. Duran, of Birmingham, spent a part of Tuesday in the city on business.

Mrs. E. F. Upshaw returned Saturday from a visit to relatives at Gadsden.

Miss Myrtle Chapman of Montevallo, is visiting relatives and friends in the city.

R. W. Calloway and wife left last Friday for Washington, Ga., their future home.

Mayor W. B. Browne and J. W. Johnston spent Tuesday in Birmingham on business.

Prof. John W. Moore, and daughter, Miss Eunice, of Weldon, spent Saturday in the city.

Rev. Joseph Duglison preached two interesting sermons at the Presbyterian church Sunday.

Robert Strickland, of Birmingham, visited relatives and friends in the city Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. T. M. Nelson went over to Helena Saturday to fill his regular appointment at that place Sunday.

See change in the advertisement of J. H. Abercrombie & Son in this issue. Read what they have to say about clothing, etc.

W. F. Davis and wife, Mrs. Paralee Nelson and J. N. Robertson spent a few days this week in New Orleans taking in the Mardi Gras.

Correspondents will please sign their name across the back and mail them so as to get them in by Monday. We want a good correspondent from every place in the county.

Rollie Carter, who has been working on the Marion Standard at Marion, Ala., for the past year, has returned to Columbiana and is again holding down cases on the Advocate.

### Debate.

The Literary Society of the Columbiana Graded School made their first appearance before the public last Friday night. The subject in debate was: Resolved, that the signs of the times indicate a subversion of our government.

The speakers on the negative were Walter W. Lucas and Joseph M. Sessions. Those on the affirmative John Strickland and Melvin E. Wilson. The decision was rendered by the judges in favor of the affirmative. The judges were: Rev. G. T. Harris, Rev. Duglison and Jno. A. Carter.

The occasion was a most enjoyable one, and it is reported that there will be another public debate in a few weeks.

### Sunday School Association.

Editor Advocate: Please give me space in your paper to state that the Sunday School Association of Beas and 11 is postponed from the 3rd Sunday to the 5th Sunday in April.

W. E. LESTER, President.  
J. E. ADAMS, Secretary.

### WANTED!

To buy small stock of goods and fixtures, if at a liberal discount; also small farm, not less than 25 acres cleared, 15 or 20 miles from railroad. Good location for country store. Write price, particulars, etc.

T. A. LEATHERS,  
Division Agent Shelby County Division of the Mutual Life Industrial Association of Georgia.

CHAMPION LINIMENT FOR RHEUMATISM.

Chas. Drake, a mail carrier at Chapinville, Conn., says: "Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the champion of all liniments. The past year I was troubled a great deal with rheumatism in my shoulder. After trying several cures the storekeeper here recommended this remedy and it completely cured me. There is no use of any one suffering from that painful ailment when this liniment can be obtained for a small sum. One application gives prompt relief and its continued use for a short time will produce a permanent cure. For sale by Williams Bros."

FOR AN IMPAIRED APPETITE.

Loss of appetite always results from faulty digestion. All that is needed is a few doses of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They will invigorate the stomach, strengthen the digestion and give you an appetite like a wolf. These Tablets also act as a gentle laxative. For sale by Williams Brothers.

A girl would almost rather die than admit she has cold feet.

## More About Local Taxation.

Editor Advocate:

I am glad to know that some of our citizens are taking so much interest in the cause of education. It's high time that we, as citizens of Alabama, with so much illiteracy, should devise some plan to educate and refine the rising generation in the rural districts.

The schools in the villages and towns are far more able to take care of themselves than the rural schools are. To remove the illiteracy, some measure must be adopted, whereby the length of the terms can be made of longer duration, and at the same time revive the interest of those parents and guardians who have children to educate. I do not know of a better plan than that of local taxation; neither can I understand why any man with limited means can be opposed to it, because his taxable values are not very great. It will afford better opportunities for his descendants to obtain a common education so they can be placed on a level with the city boy or girl. It will decrease if not abolish the necessity of the supplement fund; so much dreaded by some, which is an absolute necessity to keep the public schools open for five months in the year, under the present system, in most every district. A local tax for school funds is necessary, because it is such a difficult task to raise a supplement fund sufficient to keep the schools open the required length of time. Some few patrons usually have to pay the supplement, and I find that these men are generally satisfied patrons; while others who will throw their money away, so to speak, for alcoholic liquors, and other unnecessary articles which are soon gone forever, rather than pay a few dollars to the support of a school for the sole purpose of educating and refining the morals of the children of their own flesh and blood, and at the same time some of the latter class are almost continually grumbling and growling about something or meddling with the affairs of the school in some way unbecoming to those whose children, if sent to school at all, are obtaining what education they get at the expense of the other fellow.

I know men who never pay a dollar, nor even a dime, nor contribute in any way whatever for tuition, fuel or any incidental fees, expecting, seemingly, for the other fellows to do it all. It's an unfair deal and that is why I am in favor of a local tax. In local taxation every man would pay an even share according to the amount of taxable property he owns, thereby lengthening the terms of the rural schools without the supplement funds, and as a result the minds of the coming man and woman would be elevated to a higher plane of civilization.

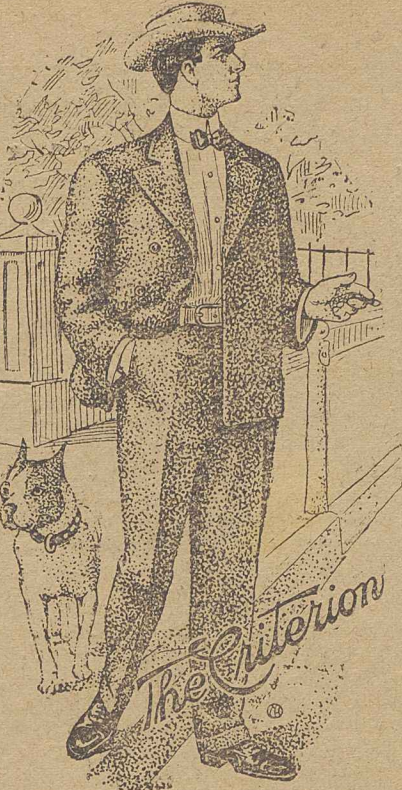
Probably some will say that this and other letters written by teachers in the interest of local taxes are for the benefit of the teachers alone, but not so. The teachers in the rural schools can see more readily than any one else the necessity of longer schools and a heartier co-operation of the patron with the teacher.

The writer has children to educate, and is therefore in favor of maintaining better schools.

The future development of our country depends principally upon our farmer boys and girls in the rural districts. Then let us be up and doing—working, ever working for the betterment of the cause of education, and the upbuilding of the rural parts of our county and State. Let us hear more from those who are interested in local taxation.

I agree with Mr. R. B. Posey, our clever commissioner, that "our taxes are high, but not much of the high taxes are taken up by our rural schools, and if either the rural or the Normal and State Institutions shall do without these funds, pray let it be the latter," but if we can't get the money otherwise, let us have the local taxation.

Respectfully submitted,  
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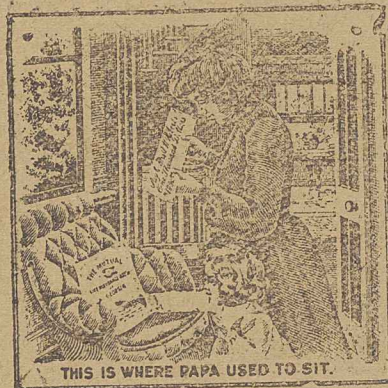
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### Notice!

The State of Alabama, Shelby Co.

Notice is hereby given, that on the 27th day of February, 1905, upon the report and application of Wesley Ozley, Administrator of the estate of John W. Naish, deceased, said estate was declared insolvent, and that on the 3rd day of April, 1905, at a term of the Probate Court of said County to be held in Columbiana, said Wesley Ozley, Administrator aforesaid, will make a final settlement of his administration of said estate, as required by the order of said Court, when and where all parties in interest can appear and contest the same, if they see proper, and may also select an administrator de bonis non.

Witness my hand, this 27th day of February, 1905.

A. P. LONGSHORE,  
Judge of Probate.

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Columbiana, Alabama.







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## STATE HAPPENINGS

Of General and Local Interest as They Occur.

### Plans for New College.

Anniston, Ala.—The board of trustees of the Alabama Presbyterian College for Men, at a meeting held here, adopted plans for the new college building. Breeding & Whildin, of Birmingham, are the architects. The building will be 300 feet long by 200 broad, ranging from four stories in the middle to two stories on either end. A handsome dome will be one of the features. Stone and brick will be used chiefly in the construction. The cost, when completed, will be between \$75,000 and \$100,000.

The new college will be placed in the Tyler property, enclosing a tract of ten acres. Back of this there are forty additional acres. Already about \$80,000 has been subscribed by the Presbyterians of the state.

### Wants Sanitary Experts.

Huntsville, Ala.—The city council met Tuesday and decided to pay the expenses of a government sanitary expert on a visit to Huntsville to investigate health conditions here and recommend measures for the prevention of fevers and contagious diseases. This action was taken in deference to the popular wish and in accordance with a recommendation of the city health board.

Notice was given several parties that they must comply with the ordinances requiring them to put pavements around their property, among them being the Episcopal church and the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railroad.

### Coal Produced in 1904.

Birmingham, Ala.—The first official statement given out as to the total output of the coal mines of Alabama for the year 1904, was made by State Mine Inspector J. M. Gray, the production being placed at 11,273,151 tons.

The figures are in the hands of the printer and the regular printed sheet will come out the last of this week or the first of next week.

By counties the following production is reported: Bibb county, 1,369,575 tons; Blount, 59,132; Cullman, 142,218; DeKalb, 35,514; Etowah, 182,649; Jackson, 14,295; Jefferson, 5,834,490; Marion, 17,352; Shelby, 111,476; St. Clair, 154,813; Tuscaloosa, 662,929; Walker, 2,512,337; Winston, 42,371.

The production in 1903 amounted to 11,700,753 tons.

### New School for Attalla.

Attalla, Ala.—A new \$10,000 school building is to be erected in Attalla at once. The plans have been made by A. D. Simpson, of Gadsden, and accepted, and work is to be commenced just as soon as the contract can be let. Attalla has an old school building, but the town has outgrown it, and now a modern and up-to-date building with all fixtures of the latest kind is to be erected. It will be of brick and two-story.

### Bale of Domestic Stolen.

Plantersville, Ala.—A few nights since a bale of bleached domestic was dumped out of a car of a southbound freight train on the Southern railway. In two hundred yards of the depot of this place, three of the bales were carried off and the balance of the bale left near the track partially covered with some cedar brush.

### Charged With Grand Larceny.

Opelika, Ala.—Jim Chafin, an employee of the Opelika cotton mills, has been arrested on a charge of grand larceny. He is charged with stealing a gold watch and \$10 from another employee.

### Rural Routes Established.

Washington, D. C.—These rural routes will be established April 15: Cuba, Sumter county, route 2, population 445, houses 106; Elba, Coffee county, routes 4 and 5, population 894, houses 201; Fayette, Fayette county, route 1, population 448, houses 106; Spring Garden, Cherokee county, route 2, population 466, houses 111.

### Postmasters Named for Alabama.

Washington, D. C.—Postmasters appointed for Alabama: Beaverton, Lamar county, Robert B. Dennis; Highnote, Geneva county, Francis A. Boswell; Center, Cherokee county, William M. Watts; Chapman, Butler county, John Cunningham, Jr.

Gadsden, Ala.—W. S. Griffith, who founded the Gadsden Evening Journal in this city four years ago, disposed of his interest in the paper to W. P. Hoffert, his partner, and the latter will conduct the paper in the future. Mr. Griffith will go into other business.

### Killed in Collision.

Tuscaloosa, Ala.—There was a head-on collision in the Mobile and Ohio railroad yards and as a result John Cunningham, the negro fireman on the switch engine, lost his life. It seems that the northbound local freight coming in from Montgomery, met the switch engine, which was without a headlight, and before the engineer could stop his train the two engines had collided.

### Death of Sheriff Walker.

Dothan, Ala.—C. E. Walker, sheriff of this county, died at his home here of pneumonia. He was sick about two weeks. Mr. Walker was the first sheriff Houston county ever had, he having been appointed to the position by Governor Jelks when the county was created. At the time of his appointment he was tax collector of old Henry county. He leaves a wife and several children. His remains were carried to Columbia for burial.

### B., C. & St. A. Survey.

Girard, Ala.—The surveying corps of the Birmingham, Columbus and St. Andrews railway has completed its survey from Pittsview, Ala., to the Chattahoochee river. The survey reached the river at a point near Fort Mitchell, some twelve miles below the city. The road will be built up the Chattahoochee valley to this point. At what place it will cross the Georgia side, so as to go directly into Columbus, is not yet definitely known.

### Furnace Makes Record Run.

Sheffield, Ala.—The Hattie Ensley furnace, belonging to the Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron Company, made a record-breaking run Sunday, when it produced 254 tons of iron. The previous record was 250 tons for a day's run. The average daily run for the past month was 238 tons.

### Bust of Lomax.

Montgomery, Ala.—The state department of archives and history has honored a popular and well-known Montgomerian in the placing in the hall of the department a life-size bust of the late Tennent Lomax, who died in this city last November two years ago. The bust was painted by Samuel Hoffman, and was presented by the mother of the deceased, Mrs. Carrie A. Lomax.

### Burned by Playing With Matches.

Hartselle, Ala.—The 3-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hartselle was severely burned. The child was playing with some matches and ignited its clothing, which was entirely burned from it. It is not believed that the child will live.

### Another Company Capitalized.

Birmingham, Ala.—The American Wood-fibre Plaster Company will erect a large plant at North Birmingham. The company has been capitalized for \$25,000, and will commence work at once. The plant here will be a branch of a large company in Akron, O., and the original company is capitalized at \$600,000. The plaster made with wood-fibre is said to be excellent, and several Birmingham business men have tried it and said that it was satisfactory.

### Bad Alabama Ventures.

Springfield, Ill.—A petition in bankruptcy was filed with the clerk of the United States District Court by L. A. Clark, a mining promoter of Quincy, Ill. He scheduled his liabilities at \$254,000 and assets at \$50. The failure was due to mining ventures in Alabama, in which he was extensively interested and his principal creditors, with one or two exceptions, were his partners in these ventures.

### Law to Muzzle Bull Dogs.

Talladega, Ala.—The city has been recently overrun with bull dogs, and last night the city council passed a stringent ordinance forbidding any person having charge of a bull dog to allow it to come on the streets without a muzzle and a collar and chain to be held in the hand, and authorizing police officers to shoot bull dogs running at large on the streets.

### Injured in Accident.

Gadsden, Ala.—Joe Holland, a water carrier at the steel plant, happened to an accident Wednesday, having his foot severely mangled. While his wound is painful he is not seriously hurt.

### Charge Wife and Son With Killing.

Heflin, Ala.—Richard D. Beason was shot and killed at his home, four miles from Heflin, as he lay in bed. The shooting was done with a shot gun. His wife and 16-year-old son are charged with the crime, and are in the sheriff's custody. Family difficulty was the cause assigned. The shooting occurred Wednesday morning.

### Postmaster Leaves Politics.

Scottsboro, Ala.—Postmaster A. N. Holland, of Scottsboro, has tendered his resignation as chairman of the republican executive committee of Jackson county, in obedience to an order from Washington that all postmasters should give up the honor of being county chairman.

Birmingham, Ala.—The local iron market grows stronger and stronger. The pig metal is bought freely at \$13.75 to \$14 on a No. 2 foundry basis. Some large sales have been made this week.

### Birmingham, Ala.—The Birmingham

Water Works Company has advised Mayor Drennen that it will furnish the water supply for the Rescue Home of the Salvation Army free of charge. An effort will be made to have the Birmingham Railway, Light and Power Company supply the home with electricity, for illumination free of charge inasmuch as the institution has not yet gotten itself on a strong financial basis.

## AN AWFUL TRAGEDY.

George Schistler, a Teamster, Causes The Death of Three Persons.

### BARRICADED IN HIS HOUSE.

He Fired Upon Approaching Officers Wounding Two, But Was Finally Killed During the Melee.

Denver, Col.—Mad with rage because of his defeat in a law suit, in which K. Fill, the man whom he pronounced his bitterest enemy, had been victorious, and swearing vengeance against him and his family, George Schistler, a teamster, armed himself with a rifle Sunday and started out to do murder. When the smoke of battle had cleared away three persons were dead, one was missing and three others lay wounded, two at least dangerously. The dead:

K. FILL.

MRS. K. FILL.

GEORGE SCHISTLER.

The missing:

A child of the Fill's.

Wounded: Dr. Frank Fulton, police sergeant; Captain William Bonhanna, acting chief of police; Mike Kelly.

The wife of George Schistler is prostrated over the affair and may die from the shock.

### Brooded Over His Troubles.

Schistler had brooded over his troubles with the Fill family, who were immediate neighbors, and annoyed Sunday that he would even up matters. Taking a rifle of improved pattern and buckling on a belt of smokeless cartridges, he started for the Fill home. Fill saw Schistler approaching and tried to avoid him by entering the house, but Schistler sent a bullet into his brain. Mrs. Fill rushed to her husband's side and was instantly killed by a bullet from Schistler's rifle. Schistler then set fire to the Fill home, which was destroyed.

A son of Fill's is missing and is believed to have perished in the flames.

Schistler returned to his own house and barricaded himself inside. In the meantime neighbors appeared on the scene, but quickly retreated when bullets from Schistler's rifle began falling near them.

A telephone message was sent to police headquarters and an ambulance with Police Surgeon Dulin, Captain Bohanna and three officers hurried to the scene. Upon the arrival of the officers and before they could leave the ambulance, a rain of bullets fell about them. Dulin and Bohanna fell to the floor of the ambulance wounded. The driver reined his horses when another shot from Schistler dropped one of the animals to the ground. With the assistance of spectators the wounded men were removed from the scene.

Dulin was shot three times, once in each leg and another time in the left thigh. His condition is critical. Bohanna received a bullet in the leg, but is not dangerously hurt.

### Hay Wagon Used as Fort.

A call for reinforcements brought all the available men from the police headquarters and the sheriff's office, and a consultation was held to formulate a plan to capture Schistler. Firing squads were stationed in near-by houses, and a larger force was placed in a portable fort made of baled hay piled upon a hay wagon. During the preliminary arrangements Schistler kept up a continuous fire in all directions. This was returned by the officers, and hundreds of shots were exchanged. Kelly was slightly wounded. Finally Schistler ceased firing, and the hay wagon fort was moved cautiously toward the house. When the attacking force reached the front gate without a shot being fired, one of the officers stepped out into view, thinking to draw the fire of Schistler if he were still alive. None came, and with a rush the officers charged the house and battered down the door. They found Schistler lying upon a bed bleeding from several wounds. He died soon afterwards. It is not known whether he was hit by bullets from the weapons of the pursuing party or committed suicide.

Mrs. Schistler was away from home at the time, and when she learned of the affair fell prostrate. It is thought she will die from the shock.

### Georgia Coffin Company Burned.

Columbus, Ga.—The plant of the Georgia Coffin Company, in this city, was destroyed by fire Sunday morning. The origin is unknown. A stock of coffins was destroyed. The loss is about \$10,000. It is only partially covered by insurance.

### A Little Child Killed in Play.

Troy, Ala.—Quite a sad and unusual accident happened at Banks, this county, on Saturday, resulting in the death of the little 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Bryan. The little Bryan child was engaged with two other little fellows about his own age in playing "horses," and in the enthusiasm of the sport came into violent contact with one of them, resulting in his death in a short while.

### Seek 'Phone Franchise.

Cullman, Ala.—J. B. Brown and R. L. Hipp have asked the city council to grant them a franchise for a new telephone company, and a merry war is the result. S. L. Sherrill, of Hartselle, owns the present franchise, and in conjunction with the Southern Bell Telephone Company, is fighting the granting of the new franchise. Mr. Sherrill and his associates claim the real petitioner for the new franchise is the Morgan County Telephone Company, now operating at Decatur, which is controlled by a Toledo, O., concern. This concern is trying to reach Birmingham and other southern points with long distance service, and to accomplish this local franchises are necessary. Messrs. Brown and Hipp deny any connection with any other concern and have considerable stock subscribed to the local concern to be known as the Citizens' Telephone Company.

### Developing Graphite.

Mountain Creek, Ala.—The Chilton County Graphite Company, of Mountain Creek, held its annual meeting Friday, at which all the directors were present.

Several important changes affecting the interests of the company were made. Col. W. H. Tisdale, the former president of the company, having disposed of his interests to other stockholders, an election of a new board of directors was necessitated, which resulted as follows: A. H. Munger and George H. Bunting, Kansas City, Mo.; Alva Fitzpatrick, J. P. Saffold and J. T. Roberts, Montgomery, and R. F. Bunting, Florence.

A. H. Munger was elected president; J. P. Saffold, vice-president, and R. F. Bunting, secretary and treasurer.

The capital stock was increased to \$50,000, fully paid up.

Plans were discussed for important mill improvements in the near future. The company is now shipping its product, which has proved to be a very fine quality of graphite.

### Will Get Claims.

Florence, Ala.—The omnibus claims bill, signed by President Roosevelt last week, included \$16,000 which will be distributed among citizens of Lauderdale, Colbert and Limestone counties.

The damages were incurred through the armies of General Sherman and Hatch, who entered Lauderdale county in the early fall of 1863. During a stay of five months just outside of Florence foraging parties scoured the country for miles around, despoiling the inhabitants of everything they could lay their hands upon in the way of provisions and provender. Many of the claims have been pending for years, and in most instances the original petitioners have long since passed to their reward.

### Revenue Men on Trial.

Montgomery, Ala.—A number of sensational cases are up for trial in the United States court. They involve five men, who were formerly employed as gaugers and storekeepers in the revenue service, who are charged with making false returns and entries in their official capacity at the distillery and rectifying house of the Kohn Distilling Company. The company, about a year ago, was charged with defrauding the government out of an enormous amount of money by these false entries and returns. The concern was, however, allowed to settle by the payment of \$12,000 into the United States treasury.

### To Make Turbines.

Birmingham, Ala.—A telegram from New York announces that the International Power Company, the big industrial concern which recently secured control of the Alabama Consolidated Coal and Iron Company, had, through purchase or other arrangements, secured the right to manufacture exclusively the Wilkinson turbines, patented in Birmingham. While no details are to be learned as yet, it is understood that the stockholders in the local concern will reap a large sum for their holdings. A large number of men in Birmingham held stock in the Wilkinson Turbine Company. The patent has been thoroughly investigated by expert engineers in the east and north, and the deal just completed means that it is accepted as a good thing.

### Ticket Scalpers' Trust.

Chicago, Ill.—Charging that the ticket scalpers of the United States have combined into a trust for mutual protection and promotion of the sale of cut rate tickets, officers of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad Company Friday filed a bill in the United States circuit court seeking an injunction against sixty-seven ticket brokers. This bill is against the same persons and is almost identical with several bills which were filed last summer by various railroad companies and on which petitions injunctions were issued restraining the scalping of tickets to the world's fair.

### Hargises Lose.

Frankfort, Ky.—The Kentucky court of appeals refused the writ asked by the Hargis brothers, of Breathitt county, to restrain the Judge of Fayette circuit court from assuming jurisdiction of them for trial for complicity in the murder of Town Marshal Cockrill, of Jackson. The case thus goes to Fayette county for trial, in which court they are already under indictment.

## CASUALTIES REPUTED

Thousands Missing from Roll Call—Kuropatkin With Second Russian Army.

### PILES OF DEAD ARE FOUND.

Reports 1,190 Officers and 46,391 Men Missing From Roll Call. The Russians Are Nearing Tie Pass.

Tokio.—Field Marshal Oyama, reporting under date of Saturday night, says:

"All of our forces advanced to the right of the Hun river and vigorously pursued the enemy in all directions. We reached a line thirteen miles north of the Hun river the afternoon of March 10. On March 11 we continued a vigorous pursuit. Our force advanced north from the vicinity of the Pu river, and immediately after its departure engaged with a large column of the enemy retreating north. After a hand-to-hand battle we surrounded and captured the column. In the vicinity of Mukden a remnant of the enemy continues a hopeless resistance or is surrendering.

"Clearing operations are progressing. The enemy's dead are massed everywhere, and we have been unable to inter as yet. The minute investigation of the losses inflicted as several places has not yet been finished, but the enemy's killed, wounded, prisoners and spoils are enormous. The spoils of clothing and provisions are in great piles, resembling hills. We have been unable to investigate yet."

### Thousands Missing From Roll Call.

St. Petersburg.—General Kuropatkin has telegraphed to Emperor Nicholas as follows, under date of March 12, 1:40 p. m.:

"Today the enemy's attack was confined to the rear guard of the Third Siberian corps.

"The First army, deployed in front of the other armies, continues to retreat to positions indicated for all the armies.

"According to a report from the commander of the Third army, received today, his rear guard occupied a position on the Mandarin road sixteen and a half miles from Tie Pass. Only a small detachment of the Japanese, mainly cavalry, confronted this rear guard.

"Men are missing from all divisions, and from February 28 to March 11, inclusive, 1,190 officers and 46,391 men are missing from roll call."

### Kuropatkin Is With Second Army.

St. Petersburg.—A dispatch received here from General Kuropatkin dated Saturday says:

"The night of March 10 (Friday), passed without fighting on the front of the second army, which I am accompanying.

"The rear guard of this army, under General Guerschelman, is holding the positions in the neighborhood of Chuchai station.

"Up to 7 o'clock this morning no reports had been received from this army.

"The position of the first army was this morning twenty to thirty versts (about seventeen to twenty miles) southwest of Tie Pass."

### General Oku Enters Mukden.

Fushun, March 11.—(Delayed.)—General Oku and staff entered Mukden this afternoon. The Japanese armies continue pursuing hotly the retreating Russians. Ten thousand prisoners have been captured. Of General Oku's army only 800 were wounded.

Three hundred Japanese wounded were found in Japanese hospitals. Quantities of stores and many horses and wagons have been captured. Chinese set fire to hospitals and other buildings when the Russian retreat began.

### 30,000 Russians Dead on Field.

Tien Tsin.—Later estimates place the Russian dead left on the field at about 30,000. Over eighty guns and 60,000 rifles were captured.

### 40,000 Prisoners Taken.

Tokio.—Field Marshal Oyama reported that 40,000 prisoners were taken, and that there were 90,000 Russian casualties in the Shakhe river direction alone.

### Japanese Casualties are 41,000.

Tokio.—Field Marshal Oyama estimates that the number of Russian prisoners captured will exceed 30,000. The Japanese casualties are estimated at 41,000. The Japanese captured a retreating Russian column at the Pu river yesterday (Saturday).

### 200 Indictments Against Standard Oil.

Cynthiana, Ky.—The grand jury brought in 200 indictments against the Standard Oil company, who is charged with "retailing from a wagon without a license." The fine in each case varies from \$50 to \$1,000. The lowest possible penalties would reach \$10,000. The indictments were made after one recently passed on by Judge O'Rear, of the court of appeals of Kentucky, which held the Standard Oil Company liable for license in an Oilham, Ky.,

### Casualties Are Enormous.

Tien Tsin.—The well-informed here roughly estimate the total Russian casualties at 150,000 men, and those of the Japanese 60,000. It is reported that Tie Pass is practically defeated, and another great action is regarded as improbable. A Japanese officer said: "We must push the advantage home, and give no respite until a crushing defeat has been administered."

### Sixteen Prisoners Try to Escape.

Hot Springs, Ark.—Sixteen prisoners made a desperate dash for liberty from the county at the breakfast house Sunday morning. One of them, Silas Love, was shot dead, another, Dick Martings, escaped, and others who secured temporary liberty were all captured in a short while after the outbreak.

Among the prisoners attempting to regain their freedom was Houston Hooker, sentenced to hang for the murder of Conductor Atwood, of the St. Louis and Iron Mountain railroad.

### Railroad Mix-Up.

Birmingham, Ala.—Henry B. Gray of this city, has filed a petition in the Montgomery courts asking that a receiver be appointed for the South and North Alabama Railroad and that the Louisville and Nashville Railroad be enjoined from voting its stock in the South and North Alabama Railroad for any purpose whatever until the courts decide whether \$27.50 a share is an adequate price for the stock.

The Louisville and Nashville owns 90 per cent of the stock of the South and North Alabama, and Mr. Gray, who is a minority stockholder in the latter, alleges that it is proposed to sell the properties, rights and franchises of the South and North to the Louisville and Nashville for \$27.50 for each share, of which the par value is \$100.

The city court of Montgomery has granted the temporary injunction.

### Must Divert Immigrants.

Huntsville, Ala.—The chamber of commerce held the largest meeting in several months Friday night and heard an address by former President Tracey W. Pratt, who has lived in New York city during the past three years. Mr. Pratt emphasized the importance of doing something to divert immigrants freshly arrived from Europe to the south and said that the Dutch, Hungarians and Italians would establish thousands of truck farms in this country if they are brought here.

Resolutions were adopted asking the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railroad to improve the passenger service on the Huntsville branch and to look into the importance of the construction of a bridge across the Tennessee river on the line between this city and Guntersville. The resolutions state that the river transfer is impracticable a part of the summer on account of low water and that the business relations between Huntsville and points south are seriously interrupted thereby.

President Boyd stated that the organization is now working for the location of a large twine mill to consume the waste from the cotton mills of Huntsville.

### Osages Included.

Washington, D. C.—In response to an inquiry from the commissioner of Indian affairs, the secretary of agriculture has written a letter in which he announces the inclusion of the Osage Indian reservation in the Oklahoma quarantine district.

Under this decision, cattle in the reservation will be protected against infection from shipments south of the Oklahoma quarantine line, but such cattle will require only one dipping in Beaumont petroleum. The commissioner is preparing to lease about 300,000 acres of the Osage grazing lands on the 15th inst. and it is expected that the ruling on the quarantine question will have a favorable effect on the leases.

### President's Aid.

Independence, Kans.—The Oil Producers' Association Saturday requested President Roosevelt to come to their aid by sending him the following telegram: "It was developed in the suit of the state of Kansas against the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railway yesterday at Topeka, we think conclusively, that the Santa Fe, the Missouri Pacific, the Missouri, Kansas and Texas, and the Union Pacific railways are now flagrantly violating the decrees of the supreme court in the case of the United States vs. the Joint Traffic Association, 171 U. S. 505; United States vs. Trans-Missouri Freight Association, 166 U. S. 290, by reason of their membership in the trans-Missouri Freight Bureau. We would respectfully request your honest enforcement of these decrees."

### Big Shipment of Coal.

Pittsburg, Pa.—The largest river coal shipment which has left Pittsburg for months has started south. The fleet contained about 2,500,000 bushels, consigned to Cincinnati and Louisville. Another shipment of 2,000,000 bushels will be made tomorrow. The gorge at Davis Island dam, at 9 o'clock Sunday night, showed 11 feet and the water falling 2 of a foot an hour. The Allegheny river ice gorge just below Kittanning still holds.

### Crops on Hand.

Washington, D. C.—The monthly report of the bureau of statistics of the department of agriculture will show the amount of wheat remaining in farmers' hands on March 1st to have been about 11,000,000 bushels, or 20.1 per cent of last year's crop, as compared with 20.8 per cent of the crop of 1902 on hand on March 1, 1904, and 24.5 per cent of the crop of 1903 on hand at the corresponding date in 1903. The corn in farmers' hands is estimated at about 954,000,000 bushels, or 28.7 per cent of last year's crop against 37.4 per cent of the crop of 1903 on hand on March 1, 1904, and 41.6 per cent of the crop of 1902 on hand at the corresponding date in 1903.

Of oats there are reported to be about 347,000,000 bushels or 38.8 per cent of last year's crop still in farmers' hands, as compared with 34.9 per cent of the crop of 1903 on hand March 1, 1904, and 34.9 per cent of the crop of 1902 on hand at the corresponding date in 1903.

### Blind Woman Drops Dead.

Birmingham, Ala.—Mrs. Emma Quarles, aged 48, blind, of Vandiver, Ala., on a visit to Rance Brooks, near East Lake, was found dead in her room Friday morning. She was attacked during the night with heart failure. Her body was found lying in the middle of the room. She had evidently gotten out of bed and fallen to the floor with the death stroke.

### To Profit and Loss.

Cincinnati, Ohio.—The directors of the German National bank adopted a resolution charging the \$50,000 deficit in the government reserve fund to profit and loss. The shortage was made up from the undivided profits. They also resolved that the hunt for the missing money would be continued and a vigorous effort will be made to detect the thief.

### Vagrants Are Arrested.

Huntsville, Ala.—The fact has come to light that the recent grand jury returned a number of indictments against vagrants and several arrests have been made of those who have no visible means of support. This is the first time this has occurred and there is a scramble among the loafing class to obtain some employment.

### Chinese Railway Suspends Service.

Tien Tsin.—Owing to the unforeseen difficulties the Chinese railway administration announces a suspension of train service on Monday until further notice between Koupantze, Yin-how and Simintin. The suspension, according to information, is owing to Japanese military authorities insisting upon the railway carrying military stores.

### L. and N. Buys Road.

Knoxville, Tenn.—The Atlanta, Knoxville and Atlantic Railroad, running from Knoxville to Marietta, Ga., formally passed into the hands of the Louisville and Nashville railroad, which has virtually owned it for months, when a deed was recorded in the local trustees' office Saturday. It will be a part of the Cincinnati-Knoxville line to Atlanta, Ga.

### Sunken Steamer Is Found.

Charleston, S. C.—The captain of the fishing smack Victoria, arriving here, reports having



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ana, Ala., as second-class mail matter

Columbiana, March 16, 1905.

Let everybody work and talk  
for Columbiana.

Keep on talking for a knitting  
mill—we need one.

The court officials are busy get-  
ting ready for circuit court.

And we are going to have an  
up-to-date ball team this year.

If you don't boom your own  
town it will not be done by anyone  
else.

The impeachment proceedings  
of Judge Swayne are a thing of the  
past.

"Vulcan," the big iron man, will  
soon be back in Birmingham from  
St. Louis.

The new railroad is what we  
need and must have, and we are  
going to get it—so they say.

We think a steam laundry would  
be a paying investment for some  
one here who has the money to put  
it up.

The war continues to wage  
between Russia and Japan. The  
"Japs" are always there with the  
goods.

It is said that Senator Morgan  
now says the Panama Canal can  
never be built, and that in the end  
we will have to fall back to the  
Nicaragua.

Circuit court convenes April  
3rd, and will continue four weeks.  
We are informed that a fairly full  
docket will be on hand for this  
term of the court.

Governor W. D. Jelks, who has  
been in New Mexico for several  
months for his health, will return  
to Montgomery this week and  
take charge of his office.

The Cotton Growers Association  
for Shelby county will meet at  
Columbiana next Saturday. It is  
to be hoped that the farmers will  
not lose interest in this move, but  
that they will keep the ball rolling.  
The proper results may not come  
in a day, a week or a year, but by  
and by they will come.

There have been some celebrated  
jobs of whitewashing done in these  
United States since the govern-  
ment was instituted, but never  
anything that compared with the  
beauty and finish of the job that  
Garfield did for the beer trust. He  
says the packers only make 99 cents  
on a 1,000 pound steer.—The  
Independent.

During the last month there was  
a decrease of a little over eight  
million dollars in the total supply  
of money in the United States.  
The supply of gold shrank a little  
over ten million dollars. There  
was a net increase of one and  
three quarter million dollars in  
the amount of paper money issued  
by the government to national  
banks.—The World.

In next week's issue we will  
print a clipping from the  
Nebraska Independent, edited by  
Thos. H. Tibbles, in which he gives  
out valuable information for the  
public as to how the whole country  
is divided up and controlled by "ten  
men" of Wall Street. This in-  
formation comes from the pen of  
one who knows the situation,  
besides, observation teaches the  
sober thinking citizen that these  
are facts.

**Notice.**  
There will be a county meeting  
of the Farmers Educational and  
Co-Operative Union at Columbiana  
the first Saturday in April. Locals  
will send delegates. All farmers  
are invited to attend the morning  
session. The meeting will be ad-  
dressed by E. J. Cook, state  
organizer and others.

DAVID LATIMER,  
Shelby County Organizer.

## Mr. Bryan's Race in Nebraska.

In a recent issue of his paper  
Mr. Bryan says, referring to Mr.  
Watson:

The small vote which he re-  
ceived—a vote much smaller than  
Populists, Democrats and even  
Republicans expected him to re-  
ceive—shows either that there are  
few who agree with him as to the  
course of action to be pursued or  
that they did not have confidence  
in his leadership. It is not only  
more charitable, but more in ac-  
cordance with the facts, to assume  
that the reformers had personal  
confidence in Mr. Watson, but did  
not agree with him as to the best  
method of securing remedial legis-  
lation.

This paragraph reminds me that  
Mr. Bryan was likewise a candi-  
date in the year 1904.

He ran for the United States  
Senate in the State of Nebraska,  
and he got no votes to speak of.  
Out of 133 members of the Legis-  
lature, he captured less than a  
dozen.

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course of action to be pursued, or  
that they did not have confidence  
in his leadership. "It is not only  
more charitable, but"—and so  
forth.

Mr. Bryan says that "reforms  
are not to be secured all at once."  
Quite right; and they will never  
be secured at all by leaders who  
change front as often as Mr.  
Bryan has done within the last  
twelve months. Neither will they  
be secured by a political party  
which preaches a certain creed for  
eight years and then throws it  
aside like a worn out garment.  
Nor will reforms ever be secured  
by a party which contains so many  
different sorts of Democrats that  
nobody knows which is the genuine  
variety.—Watson's Magazine.

## The Democratic Party.

[From Morgan's Buzz Saw.]

It is easy to see now that the  
St. Louis convention was the  
crowning event of damphoolish-  
ness.

Almost anyone can be fooled  
part of the time, but nobody but a  
fool can be fooled all the time.

The yellow hammers that are  
now in control of the Democratic  
party insist that they are going to  
hold on.

The consensus of opinion among  
Populists seems to be that they  
won't take any more of Dr. Bryan's  
medicine.

The Democratic party may not be  
dead, but it is disfigured beyond  
recognition, crippled beyond re-  
covery and disgraced beyond  
redemption.

As principle has been abandoned,  
and there are not enough officers to  
go round, there is nothing to hold  
the pieces of the Democratic party  
together.

There is man down in Texas who  
is so particular as to "what's in a  
name" that he won't kiss a "grass  
widow" for fear of catching the  
"hay fever."

If the South will set its face  
forward instead of backward it will  
see the dawn of a new era, an era  
that will make her the mistress of  
the commerce of the world.

One of the most spectacular  
scenes ever exhibited in this old  
world of ours is presented by a lot  
of laboring men howling for what  
they want and voting for what  
they don't want.

When politicians of the South  
want to steal something, or do some  
other mean thing, they dig up the  
"nigger domination snake" in order  
to distract the attention of the  
people from their own mean-  
ness.

## Colds

It should be borne in mind that  
every cold weakens the lungs, lowers  
the vitality and prepares the  
system for the more serious dis-  
eases, among which are the two  
greatest destroyers of human life,  
pneumonia and consumption.

## Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

has won its great popularity by its  
prompt cures of this most common  
ailment. It aids expectoration, re-  
lieves the lungs and opens the  
secretions, effecting a speedy and  
permanent cure. It counteracts  
any tendency toward pneumonia.

Price 25c, Large Size 50c.

## JURY VENIRE.

List of Petit Jurors Drawn To  
Serve at the Spring Term  
Circuit Court, 1905.

**PETIT JURORS FIRST WEEK.**  
W. T. Johnson, J. B. Oldham, J. M.  
Smith, G. H. Green, G. M. Hannon, T. J.  
Atkinson, C. T. Cox, R. E. Johnson, A. B.  
Busby, J. E. Ray, G. W. Seale, J. W.  
Jones, O. V. Farr, J. M. Byers, James  
Collins, M. E. Roy, S. F. Colley, J. L.  
Lovelady, J. E. Bunn, W. E. Duckett,  
H. O. Adams, J. M. Cook, G. W. Carter,  
J. L. Walker, J. W. Horton, J. L. Gould,  
Thomas Miller, J. L. Walker, H. B.  
Partidge, J. M. Coshatt.

**PETIT JURORS SECOND WEEK.**  
A. A. Ray, A. J. Brasher, J. J. Sanders,  
J. R. Isher, C. D. Davis, H. W. Wells, J.  
R. Weldon, J. R. Black, Isaac Perry-  
man, W. E. Finley, W. E. Price, G. L.  
Merrell, J. L. Lee, W. P. Gilbert, W. J.  
Crawford, J. A. Howard, Jas. W. Jones,  
R. C. Naish, H. Branch, J. C. Farley, J.  
H. Weldon, W. R. Liguire, G. E. Mill-  
stead, S. A. Latham, J. V. Cardon, T. W.  
White, J. E. Davis, J. S. Evans, W. G.  
Howell, S. L. Phillips.

**PETIT JURORS THIRD WEEK.**  
B. H. Holcombe, J. C. Hinton, A.  
Kircher, A. J. Holcombe, W. A. Thomp-  
son, D. O. Essman, T. E. Lovelady, T. J.  
Reams, F. M. Blake, S. J. Spearman, W.  
A. Wheat, J. W. Dial, Z. C. Crowson,  
Walter J. Crim, H. A. Weldon, Henry  
Johnson, W. T. Brasher, B. F. Robertson,  
J. R. Davis, W. T. Winder, Geo. W. Glaze,  
J. O. Thomas, John Huggs, W. J. Frank,  
Wyatt, A. A. Brasher, C. C. Martin, J. B.  
Horton, J. F. Armstrong, T. W. Weaver,  
S. L. Walker.

**PETIT JURORS FOURTH WEEK.**  
Joe Curtis, A. N. Waldrop, Joseph  
Carroll, Albert S. Davis, William  
Walton, F. E. Merrell, T. J. Cross, R. L.  
Kilgough, W. C. Underwood, Thomas R.  
Loyett, C. E. Hale, T. J. Davis, Jesse  
Loyett, E. E. Webb, R. H. Vandiver,  
H. L. Gould, H. E. Horton, J. L. Frank,  
J. J. Jackson, H. E. Horton, J. L. Frank,  
land, William O. Davis, W. R. Weaver,  
Will Millender, G. P. Archer, J. M.  
Green, J. S. Jones, Jr., T. W. Kimble,  
Jas. Seale, J. B. German.

## Stole a Lighting Plant.

The Elgin, Ill., city council, one  
night, while the Mayor was away,  
called a special meeting and gave  
away the city lighting plant for  
ten years to a private corporation  
under a lease, and without any  
compensation to the city whatever.  
When half a dozen city council-  
men can steal in one night an  
industrial plant that costs \$75,000,  
some people begin to think there is  
something in the populist doctrine  
of the initiative, recall and referen-  
dum. There is said to be about  
the biggest uproar in Elgin that  
was ever known in a town. But  
the people there got just what they  
deserved. They have read the  
subsidized dailies and then declared  
that these populist doctrines were  
socialism and anarchy all done in  
one bunch together. Now their  
property is gone and there is no  
way to help themselves. They talk  
about calling a grand jury, but  
what can a grand jury do to these  
councilmen? They were legisla-  
ting according to the straight re-  
publican doctrine. There was no  
referendum provided in their city  
laws. The horse is stolen. The  
door was not locked. The only  
thing that the citizens can now do  
is to protect themselves in the  
future by putting a few populist  
laws on their city statute books.—  
The Independent.

## CHAMPION LINIMENT

### FOR RHEUMATISM.

Chas. Drake, a mail carrier at Chap-  
inville, Conn., says: "Chamberlain's  
Pain-Balm is the champion of all lin-  
iments. The past year I was troubled  
a great deal with rheumatism in my  
shoulder. After trying several cures  
the storekeeper here recommended  
this remedy and it completely cured  
me. There is no use of any one suf-  
fering from that painful ailment when  
this liniment can be obtained for  
a small sum. One application gives  
prompt relief and its continued use  
for a short time will produce a perma-  
nent cure. For sale by Williams Bros.

## FOUR PAPERS FOR \$2.00.

The Weekly Constitution, Sun-  
day South, Southern Agriculturist  
and the Peoples Advocate. Now  
is the time to subscribe. Send all  
orders to the Advocate office.

## FOR SALE.

One Milch Cow with young calf.  
Will sell cheap for cash. Apply to  
O. C. CURTIS.

R. F. D. No. 1 Columbiana, Ala.

## FOR SALE.

One Young Milch Cow with  
young calf. Apply to  
J. T. FINLEY,  
Columbiana, Ala.

## FOR SALE.

Young milch cows with young  
calves; in good condition. Will  
sell cheap for cash or on easy  
terms.  
K. H. DAVIS, Jr.,  
Six miles north of Columbiana.

## A CHICAGO ALDERMAN OWES HIS ELECTION TO CHAMBER- LAIN'S COUGH REMEDY.

"I can heartily and conscientiously  
recommend Chamberlain's Cough  
Remedy for affections of the throat  
and lungs," says Hon. John Shenick,  
220 So. Peoria St., Chicago. "Two years  
ago during a political campaign, I  
caught cold after being overexerted,  
which irritated my throat and I was  
finally compelled to stop, as I could  
not speak clearly. In my extremity  
a friend advised me to use Chamber-  
lain's Cough Remedy. I took two  
doses that afternoon and could not be-  
lieve my senses when I found the  
next morning the inflammation had  
largely subsided. I took several  
doses that day, and then I took  
through the campaign, and I thank  
this medicine that I won my seat in  
the Council." This remedy is for sale  
by Williams Brothers.

## Teachers Institute.

The following is the program for  
Shelby County Teachers Institute  
to be held at Columbiana, Friday  
and Saturday, March 31st and  
April 1st, 1905:

FRIDAY, 11 A. M.

Song.  
Devotional Exercises—Rev. G.  
T. Harris.  
Welcome Address—S. Dowell.  
Response—J. W. Ellenburg.  
Enrollment of Teachers.  
Adjournment.

FRIDAY, 1:30 P. M.

Song.  
Qualifications of the Primary  
Teacher—Miss Stella Posey.  
Physical Training and the Laws  
of Health—J. J. Holladay.  
Character Building—C. H. Florey.  
The Necessity of a Uniform  
Course of Study in Schools of  
our Country—Spright Dowell.

NIGHT SESSION, 7:30 P. M.

Better School Houses—E. G.  
Humphries.  
Local Taxation for Support of  
Schools—J. H. B. Hall.  
The New School Laws—P. T.  
Graves.

SATURDAY, 9 A. M.

Song and Prayer.  
The Importance of Educational  
Journals—Miss Kate Gorman.  
Teaching Agriculture—J. W.  
Ellenburg.

Teaching the Constitution and  
the Duties of Citizenship—  
J. J. Strook.

Methods in Teaching Geography  
—Miss Janie Wallace.

Methods in (a) Teaching Long  
Division; (b) Fractions; (c)  
Denominate Numbers; (d)  
Percentage—S. P. William-  
son and W. S. McEwen.

Resolutions.  
Adjournment.

We earnestly insist on every  
teacher in the county attending  
this Institute. The law requires  
it; the cause of education de-  
mands it; no teacher will be ex-  
cused except for providential hin-  
drances. We cordially invite the  
public to come and lend all en-  
couragement possible.

J. O. DOROUGH,

Supt. of Education and Ex-Officio  
President of Board of Education.

## Resolutions.

In memory of sister Clemmont  
Cromwell Watersworth, who de-  
parted this life Jan 25, 1905.

Sister Watersworth was born  
March 13, 1875, in Columbiana,  
Ala., where she lived until her  
marriage to Mr. T. H. Waters-  
worth, June 27, 1897. At the  
time of her death she was a con-  
sistent member of the Columbiana  
Baptist church.

Whereas, God in his infinite  
wisdom has taken from our midst  
our beloved friend and sister, we,  
the members of the Columbiana  
Baptist church,

Resolved first, That realizing  
our great loss we bow submissively  
to our Heavenly Father.

Second, that we extend our  
sincere sympathy to the bereaved  
husband and little son; also to the  
parents, brother and sisters of the  
deceased and commending them to  
Him who doeth all things well.

Third, That these resolutions be  
recorded upon the church minutes  
and a copy be sent the bereaved  
family as a testimonial of our love  
and esteem.

Mrs. L. C. ARMSTRONG,  
Miss GEORGIA THOMAS,  
Miss CAROLYN ROWE,  
Committee.

## A SAFE COUGH MEDICINE FOR CHILDREN.

In buying a cough medicine for  
children never be afraid to buy Cham-  
berlain's Cough Remedy. There is no  
danger from it and relief is always  
sure to follow. It is especially valua-  
ble for colds, croup and whooping  
cough. For sale by Williams Bros.

## Notice of Application to Sell Land.

The State of Alabama, Shelby Co.  
Probate Court, Special Term, Feb-  
ruary 18th, 1905.

In the matter of the application of  
W. T. Francis for sale of certain lands  
for partition and division.

The said W. T. Francis, having this  
day filed in said Court his petition  
writing, alleging that he and R. W.  
Francis, T. L. Francis, Ammi Crowe,  
and children of Maggie Webster, to-  
wit: Rosa Webster, Richard Webster,  
Will Webster, Charlie Webster and  
John Webster are the joint owners of  
certain real estate, described in said  
petition, and that said property can  
not be equitably divided or partitioned  
without a sale thereof. The 23rd  
day of March, 1905, was appointed a  
day for the hearing of the same, and  
inasmuch as it appears that one of  
the parties represented as being in-  
terested in said property, live without  
the State; it is therefore ordered that  
notice of said petition and of the time  
and place set for hearing, the same be  
given by publication, to be continued  
weekly for three successive weeks in  
the Peoples Advocate, a newspaper  
published in this county.

A. P. LONGSHORE,  
Judge of Probate.

## County Correspondents.

### Dargin.

Health good at present.  
Prof. G. D. Baldwin, of Farmer,  
has moved to our town and will  
take charge of the Dargin public  
school the first of June. We  
welcome him in our midst.

Mrs. Mc Payne and daughter,  
Mrs. S. W. Pardue, passed through  
our town one day last week.

Hugh Merrell, of Farmer, was  
here Friday night.

T. F. Atkinson, of Columbiana,  
spent Monday of last week with  
A. W. Markers.

A. W. Markers and G. W.  
Littleton went to Columbiana  
Friday.

Albert Duncan visited relatives  
near South Calera Sunday.

Emrey Roach, of Spring Creek,  
passed through our community one  
day last week.

LaFayette Evans, of Columbiana,  
was here one day last week.

J. S. Evans went to Columbiana  
one day last week.

M. S. and Henry Wilson went  
to Columbiana Saturday on busi-  
ness.

A. M. Richard went up to Wil-  
sonville Sunday to see his father  
who is sick.

### BUFFALO BILL.

Mr. Charlie Johnson gave Hop-  
py Hollow a short call last Sunday.

Must be something interesting over  
here. Charlie why don't you feed  
that mule.

We learn through a reliable  
source that there has been some  
transfers in personal property  
proposed between Foster and Lewis,  
and if this is carried out we will  
have to erect some more residences.

Foster's girl said that when he  
left her he was asleep, but has at  
last "woken up in a new country."

Happy Hollow is to have a long  
distance telephone in a short time.  
The residents to be stock holders  
with B. W. Gilbert President,  
Elbert Goodwin Superintendent  
and Mr. Williams Central.

Mr. Jim Gilbert was seriously  
hurt a few days since by a mule  
kicking him in the breast with both  
feet.

Success to the Advocate and its  
many readers.

### I. X. L.

Health of community not very  
good.

Mrs. Lizzie Dees, of Montgomery,  
is visiting relatives here.

J. W. Moore and family at-  
tended services at Mt. Era Satur-  
day.

C. D. Davis and daughter, Miss  
Sabra, visited at East Saginaw  
last Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Levi Carter and family  
visited Mr. Murphy and family  
Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. Lee looked pleased Sunday.  
guess his girl said yes.

Miss Ida looks sad since J. A.  
has quit coming over so regularly.

P. P. Davis is still working over at  
East Saginaw.

Jessie Moore went to Mt. Era  
Sunday dear hunting.

### Miss M'NIE.

FOR AN IMPAIRED APPETITE.  
Loss of appetite always results from  
faulty digestion. All that is needed  
is a few doses of Chamberlain's Stom-  
ach and Liver Tablets. They will in-  
crease the stomach, strengthen the  
digestion and give you an appetite  
like a wolf. These Tablets also act as  
a gentle laxative. For sale by Wil-  
liams Brothers.

A girl is awful nice not to want  
to kiss a man when somebody  
might see.

This is fine weather for our cit-  
izens to garden.

### Happy Hollow.

Good morning Carrie.  
Weather fine and health very  
good.

Farmers are taking advantage of  
of the good weather by preparing  
their lands for planting.

Mrs. Ooe Goodwin, who has been  
confined to her room for some time,  
is able to be up again.

Happy Hollow is on a boom, new  
residences going up all around.  
Any one who wishes to invest in  
real estate will find it a safe and  
remunerative investment to invest  
here.

Ben Gilbert expects to have his  
shingle mill running at its full  
capacity within a few days.

The citizens of Happy Hollow  
are very enthusiastic in their  
efforts to procure a city national  
bank.

Say Lewis, you had better stay  
away from the spring. That old  
man has that long rifle loaded for  
bear. He is a crack shot and will  
shoot to kill. Can't you see that  
blood in his eye? You can't buy  
him over with pocket knives and  
spy glasses.

Mr. Charlie Johnson gave Hop-  
py Hollow a short call last Sunday.

Must be something interesting over  
here. Charlie why don't you feed  
that mule.

We learn through a reliable  
source that there has been some  
transfers in personal property  
proposed between Foster and Lewis,  
and if this is carried out we will  
have to erect some more residences.

Foster's girl said that when he  
left her he was asleep, but has at  
last "woken up in a new country."

Happy Hollow is to have a long  
distance telephone in a short time.  
The residents to be stock holders  
with B. W. Gilbert President,  
Elbert Goodwin Superintendent  
and Mr. Williams Central.

Mr. Jim Gilbert was seriously  
hurt a few days since by a mule  
kicking him in the breast with both  
feet.

Success to the Advocate and its  
many readers.

### I. X. L.

Health of community good.

Farming is flourishing.

The singing at the residence of R.  
M. Payne Sunday afternoon was a  
grand success and highly enjoyed by  
all.

Bruce Ozley went to West Calera  
Sunday to see his best girl.

Bruce Horton, of Peavine, was the  
happy escort of Miss Lillie Sweet  
Sunday.

Mr. Cape Naish and sisters, Misses  
Callie and Sophia, were the guests of  
Mr. R. M. Payne's family Sunday.

John Horton, of Knoxville, Tenn.,  
is visiting friends and relatives at  
this place.

R. M. Payne is preparing to move  
his saw mill up near his home.

Jno. Leonard, of Jefferson county,  
paid his father a visit Saturday and  
Sunday.



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## THE PEOPLE'S ADVOCATE

### Social and Local News.

Chicago Glee Club March 22.

Frank Baker, of Fourmile, was in town Friday.

Mrs. W. H. Bird, we are sorry to state, is no better.

J. R. Dyke made a business trip to Bridgeton Friday.

J. B. Lee made a business trip to Brighton last week.

Dr. B. H. Smothers, of Fourmile, was in the city Tuesday.

Mrs. L. C. Armstrong is visiting relatives in Birmingham.

James Evans, of Wilsonville, was in the city last Thursday.

John Banister, of Calera, was in town a short while Friday.

James M. Allen, of Quito, was in town Friday and Saturday.

Sheriff Cox and J. W. Peers spent Saturday in Birmingham.

H. S. Latham, of Montevallo, was in the city Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. J. W. M. Page is quite sick at her home on East College street.

Prof. J. M. Dye, of Lynch, was among the visitors in town Saturday.

Ollie Goer, of Calera, spent Sunday afternoon in the city with—

George Carter and son, of beat 9, were in town a short while Saturday.

The Chicago Glee Club at College Hall Wednesday night, March 22.

Wm. Thuney, of Wilsonville, visited relatives here a few days last week.

Rev. T. M. Nelson and family have moved to Sycamore, their future home.

Rev. J. L. Lecroy, of Goodwater, visited his son, J. B. Lecroy, here a few days ago.

Go to the College Hall Wednesday night, March 22, to hear the Chicago Glee Club.

Walter and wife and Miss Lucia Moss, of Calera, were in the city shopping Tuesday.

Wm. R. Milner, who has been sick several days with the grip, is able to be up again.

Rev. and Mrs. C. W. O'Hara are visiting their son, Rev. Will O'Hara, in Montgomery.

Mrs. A. H. Verchot, of Pratt City, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Robertson.

Don't fail to hear the Chicago Glee Club at the College Hall Wednesday night, March 22.

W. F. Davis and wife and J. N. Robertson returned last Thursday from Mardi Gras at New Orleans.

If you miss hearing the Chicago Glee Club Wednesday night, March 22, you will miss something fine.

J. W. Dykes, after spending a few days here with relatives and friends, returned to Ironaton last Thursday.

Work will soon be commenced on repairing the Methodist church. We learn that Ben Johnston has the contract.

Mrs. W. A. Weaver and Miss Ruth Leonard, of Birmingham, visited relatives and friends here several days last week.

The sidewalks and streets of Columbiana should be fixed up, and also the bridges. The sidewalk from the court house to the cemetery needs fixing badly, and the city council should attend to this matter at once.

We were up in the Fourmile community last Friday and while passing by the different houses noticed the farmers are still holding their cotton for a better price, and some of them having from ten to twenty bales stored away. The farmers in that community are all prosperous and have some fine land on which to raise their home supplies. Fourmile is said to be one of the best farming sections in this county.

### WANTED!

To buy small stock of goods and fixtures, if at a liberal discount; also small farm, not less than 25 acres cleared, 15 or 20 miles from railroad. Good location for country store. Write price, particulars, etc.

T. A. LEATHERS,

Division Agent Shelby County Division of the Mutual Life Industrial Association of Georgia.

Circuit court will convene on April 3.

Howard Latham was in Montevallo Tuesday.

T. M. Duncan, of Dargin, was in town Saturday.

C. A. Glaze, of beat 10, was in the city Monday.

Chancery court will convene to day, Thursday.

W. E. Merrell, of Shelby, was in the city a short while Monday.

Rev. G. T. Harris spent a few days in Birmingham this week.

John Strickland spent Sunday in Pelham with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Harry Roberts spent Sunday at Sylacauga with relatives.

E. B. Nelson, of Empire, visited his family here Sunday and Monday.

Farmer Bridges, of Fourmile, was in town a short while Saturday.

G. W. Busby, of beat 2, was among the visitors in town Monday.

J. H. Mason visited relatives at Wilsonville a part of Sunday and Monday.

Clarence Smith was down from Wilsonville a short while Sunday afternoon.

W. A. Thompson, who has been sick for several days, is able to be out again.

G. R. McEwen, of Fourmile, was in the city a short while Monday on business.

Rev. Partridge, of East Lake, will preach at the Baptist church next Sunday.

M. S. Wilson and son, Henry, of beat 7, were among the visitors here Saturday.

Mrs. Arthur Millstead visited relatives at Wilsonville Tuesday and Wednesday.

Phillip Erdick spent a part of Friday and Saturday in Childersburg on business.

Osce Bird spent Saturday and Sunday in Birmingham with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Charlie Brooks and children visited relatives in Calera a few days this week.

Miss Stella Powell spent Saturday and Sunday at Childersburg with relatives and friends.

There was a social entertainment enjoyed at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Pitts Friday night.

W. W. Albright, who is working over at Piper, spent Sunday and Monday in the city with his family.

Columbiana needs a few more dwelling houses and one or two factories of some kind. Why not have them?

H. E. Whitaker and wife moved Wednesday to the house of J. B. Elliott, recently vacated by Rev. J. G. Walker.

We call attention to the change of the advertisement of the Mutual Life Industrial Association of Georgia in this issue.

From the plainest sewing to the handsomest dresses can be had by calling on Mrs. J. W. Peers, at residence on Depot street.

Miss Clem Masterson, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Walter Morrow, returned to her home in Decatur Tuesday.

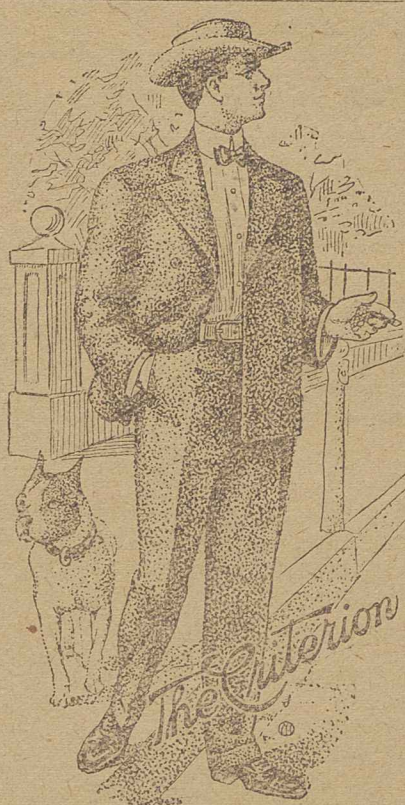
Read the advertisement of T. J. Weaver & Co's, new Millinery Store in this issue, and when you need anything in their line call and see them.

Max Lefkovits and Henry Milner spent a part of Friday and Saturday in Childersburg, where they went to buy the bankrupt stock of J. A. Nichols & Co.

R. H. O'Hara, Railway Postal Clerk, running between Macon, Ga., and Birmingham, spent a few days here last week with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. C. W. O'Hara.

In this issue will be found the advertisement of the Birmingham Paint & Glass Co., of Birmingham, Ala. They carry a complete line of sash, doors, blinds etc., and if you need anything in their line write or call on them.

B. T. Montgomery, superintendent of agents of the Mutual Life Industrial Association of Georgia, has located in Shelby county for the purpose of starting a crew of men working on said division, which means that the division will be completed in a very short time.



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We have the most up-to-date line of Low Cuts in town—We can fit you in the style Shoe you prefer.

We have just received 1500 yards of Apron Gingham in all colors, which we are offering at

4 cents per yard.

For this month we offer Liberty Bell, Schnapps and Hichory tobacco's by the box at 36 cents per pound; Buckeye at 35 cents; Cherry Red at 32½ cents and Brown's Mule at 30 cents.

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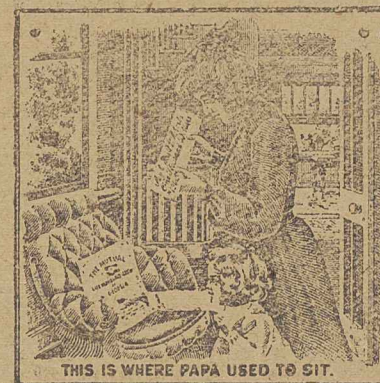
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### Cost to Join.

Class A—Ages 16 to 30	\$4.00
Class B—Ages 30 to 40	5.00
Class C—Ages 40 to 50	6.00
Class D—Ages 50 to 55	7.00
Class E—Ages 55 to 60	8.00

The above membership fees are paid only one time. Of these amount one dollar shall be placed in the hands of the local Secretary and Treasurer as an advanced assessment to meet the first death loss in above Division.

One year from the date of policy and annually thereafter the annual dues are:

Class A—Ages 16 to 30	\$1.00
Class B—Ages 30 to 40	1.25
Class C—Ages 40 to 50	1.50
Class D—Ages 50 to 55	1.75
Class E—Ages 55 to 60	2.00

When a member dies each policy holder pays to the local Secretary and Treasurer within thirty days, \$1.15. If no death, none needed.

### INDORSEMENT OF JUDGE A. P. LONGSHORE:

I have been requested several times to make a statement as to what I thought of the Mutual Life Industrial Association of Georgia, but have declined to do so until now. I have been making an investigation for the past six months as to the merits of the Association, and have reached the conclusion that it is the Safest and Cheapest Insurance offered to the people. I have taken Three Thousand Dollars in it and take pleasure in recommending it to the people.

A. P. LONGSHORE.

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First application written in Shelby County, April 26, 1904. We haven't had a single death in the Division and all it has cost the policy holders up to this time is their membership fee.

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### Notice!

The State of Alabama, Shelby Co. Notice is hereby given, that on the 27th day of February, 1905, upon the report and application of Wesley Ozley, Administrator of the estate of John W. Naish, deceased, said estate was declared insolvent, and that on the 3rd day of April, 1905, a term of the Probate Court of said County to be held in Columbiana, said Wesley Ozley, Administrator aforesaid, will make a final settlement of his administration of said estate, as required by the order of said Court, when and where all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they see proper, and may also select an administrator de bonis non.

Witness my hand, this 27th day of February, 1905.

A. P. LONGSHORE,  
Judge of Probate.

**W. A. PARKER'S**  
LIVERY, FEED & SALE STABLE.  
Columbiana, Alabama.







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"THE LOVE OF COUNTRY GUIDES"

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## ALABAMA NEWS.

### Current Events Gathered as They Happen.

#### Three Were Shot.

Wylam, Ala.—Five men confined in the county jail with bruised noses, black eyes, and bandaged limbs tell the story of what appears to have been a free-for-all fight, which was started at Slope No. 5, near Wylam, Saturday night and continued until about 2 o'clock Sunday morning. Three people are said to have been shot in the melee, one of these being a woman, and the others men. All of the parties are white. The charges docketed on the warden's blotter at the county jail against the prisoners arrested for participating in the melee are assault with intent to murder. Some have one charge against them and others two.

It seems that Saturday was pay day at Wylam and several miners are said to have proceeded to drink whiskey in great quantities during the early part of the evening. The first real trouble is alleged to have been started over gaming. None of the prisoners at the county jail appears to know just who started the trouble, and just where the first blow came from. They say that chairs, bottles and missiles commenced to fly through the air, and then some one commenced to shoot.

Tillman Burns and John Russell are known to have received gunshot wounds, and it is said that the wife of Pentico was also shot.

Rosey Branscomb, Will Reedy, Will Combs and Arthur H. Pentico are under arrest on charge of assault with intent to murder.

#### Virginia's Mine Disaster.

Montgomery, Ala.—The report of the board of state mine inspectors to Acting Governor Cunningham regarding the explosion at Virginia mines on Feb. 20th, wherein 111 miners lost their lives, has been made public.

The report is very voluminous. Shorn of its technicalities, the report says that the accident was caused by a "dust" explosion, caused by a "windy shot"—that is, that the tamping made in preparation for a dynamite charge was defectively arranged, causing the ignition of the gases in the shaft.

The report says that the laticing in the mine which had been in operation for only about two years was very poorly constructed; that at intervals between Dec. 18, 1902, and Dec. 12, 1904, dangerous accumulations of dust had been reported, and that repeated warnings had been given to the operators.

The reports of the inspectors did not fix the blame for the accident upon any one.

#### Son Plays Corpse; Father Drops Dead.

Cullman, Ala.—J. M. Woodall, a well-known citizen of Cullman county, living at Good Hope, dropped dead last Friday night while witnessing the closing exercises of the Good Hope school. The pupils of the school were presenting a dialogue in which one of the pupils acted the part of a corpse. When the corpse was brought on the stage, Mr. Woodall, who was in the audience, dropped dead in his seat.

A sad feature of the death is the fact that Mr. Woodall's son was acting as the corpse. Mr. Woodall himself had been asked to take this part, but declined. He was a sufferer from heart trouble, and it is thought that the shock caused by the sight of his son as a corpse caused his death.

Mr. Woodall was about 50 years of age, and a prosperous farmer of that section, and well known over the county. He leaves a wife and several children.

#### Lightning Strikes House.

Scottsboro, Ala.—During an electric storm Thursday evening lightning struck a telephone wire running into the residence of Mr. J. H. Williamson, of Garth, near this place, setting the house on fire and shocking Mrs. Williamson badly. Prompt means saved the house from burning.

#### Will Oust the Negroes.

Huntsville, Ala.—The white voters of the fourth ward have concentrated on two candidates for aldermen and it is now a foregone conclusion that this ward will be wrested from the control of the negroes who have dominated it since a short time after the civil war. The white voters now outnumber the negroes two to one, and with only two candidates in the field the white men will win.

#### Gov. Jelks Arrives in Montgomery.

Montgomery, Ala.—Governor Jelks arrived in the city Friday looking splendidly.

#### Will Open New Ore Mine.

Gadsden, Ala.—The Alabama Steel and Wire Company has a large ore mine in full blast at Porterville, in DeKalb county, and is now making arrangements for opening another plant alongside the present one in order to secure ore enough to operate its Gadsden plants. The ore at Porterville is very rich and is rated as among the very best ore in the state.

#### Site is Selected.

Huntsville, Ala.—A plot of ground containing forty acres on the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railway, a mile and a quarter from the public square, had been selected as a site for the fair grounds and race track by the Tennessee Valley Agricultural Fair and Racing Association. Racing experts say that the soil of this land will produce a very fast track. The association will now be incorporated and no time will be wasted in getting things in readiness for a fair to be held in the second week of October.

#### Carried to County Jail.

Birmingham, Ala.—John McConnell, a white man, was locked up in the county jail Sunday on the charge of murder. He is accused of killing Steve Naylor, another white man, in a saloon at Ensley Saturday night.

McConnell, who is 30 years of age, was brought to Birmingham by P. A. Cochran, and the warrant for his arrest being made returnable before the mayor of Ensley. Until he is given a preliminary hearing, no bond can be fixed, if he is allowed bail.

#### The Adamsville Shooting.

Adamsville, Ala.—The shooting at Adamsville Saturday night was not as serious as first reported. Will Nicholson, a white miner, was shot, but his injuries are said to be not of a grave nature. The shooting is said to have been accidental, and no arrests have been made. Deputies G. C. Eubank and Morgan Kerr were sent out from the sheriff's office, the former returning to Birmingham yesterday morning. Deputy Kerr reported to the sheriff's office that all was quiet at the mining camp.

#### Alabama Man Caught.

Visalia, Cal.—A. J. Smith, of DeKalb county, Ala., was arrested near this city Saturday for killing James Roebuck, on December 27, 1904, in Alabama. Smith admits that he shot Roebuck, but claims the deed was done in self-defense. He also admits that he has eluded the officers, but claims he is willing and anxious to go back to Alabama for trial.

The shooting was caused by a dispute over the ownership of a pile of manure.

#### Laying Heavier Rails.

Scottsboro, Ala.—The Southern railway has a large force of hands at work replacing the rails of the Memphis division with much heavier ones than those now in use. The work is progressing rapidly and the working force is now at Paint Rock station going west. When the change is made the heavier engines will be put on this division and the schedule will be shortened between Chattanooga and Memphis.

#### Two Prisoners Escape.

Tuscaloosa, Ala.—B. T. Kirtland and Lon Ratcliff, confined in the county jail, made their escape by digging through the wall under a window. Sheriff Kyle did not discover the delivery until the prisoners had been gone some time, and then it was made known by a dog that had been shut up in the corridor having come through the opening. B. T. Kirtland was in for murder in the second degree and Lon Ratcliff for a minor offense.

#### Mobile Flooded.

Mobile, Ala.—Mobile was visited Sunday by one of the hardest rainfalls of the year. The rain began before noon and fell continuously in torrents, flooding the streets far beyond the capacity of the storm sewers. Street car traffic is interrupted. The telephone companies report no wire connection between Mobile and New Orleans. At 1 a. m. the rain is still falling in torrents.

#### Belled Buzzard Seen.

Huntsville, Ala.—People in the eastern part of Madison county report having seen a belled buzzard which they believe to be the one whose wanderings have been reported from time to time in the papers for many years past.

#### Killed Over a Game of Pool.

Ensley, Ala.—As a culmination of a quarrel begun over a pool game in the early part of the evening James McConnell, a steel worker, shot and instantly killed Steve Naylor, another steel worker, at 11:30 Saturday night in Wren's saloon on Nineteenth street. The weapon used by McConnell was a double barreled shot gun and the load entered Naylor's breast near the left nipple, making an ugly and gaping wound. Naylor's 38 Smith & Wesson revolver, with all the chambers exploded, was found lying near his body. The tragedy was evidently preceded by a duel between the men.

#### Scottsboro, Ala.—The beautiful country home of Rev. W. W. Lee, pastor of the First Baptist church in Scottsboro, was destroyed at an early hour Saturday morning by fire. Rev. Mr. Lee and his wife were awakened by their little baby crying and saw that the roof of the kitchen and dining room was a sheet of flames and falling in. They barely escaped with their lives and saved nothing whatever. He had about six hundred dollars insurance.

## CONTINUE TO RETREAT

### Japs Pursuing the Enemy and Are in High Glee—Kuroki's Army Leads.

#### DO NOT STOP TO BURY DEAD.

#### Chinese Population Fears the Japs and Families Accompanying the Fleeing Russians.

Gunshu Pass.—(About 165 miles north of Mukden.)—The first army, which has been covering the retreat of the Russian forces from the south, is withdrawing slowly, checking comparatively light attacks by the Japanese. The Japanese are conducting a flanking operation on the right, and from the Russian column Japanese batteries are visible, keeping pace a short distance away.

The Red Cross detachments at all of the intermediate points to Harbin are working night and day, co-operating, bandaging and feeding the wounded.

The Chinese are leaving Gunshu Pass for Kirin and the labor question is, therefore, growing critical, though they receive the unprecedentedly high wages of 40 to 50 cents a day.

On Saturday, while the correspondent was proceeding almost with the rear guard, he stopped at a Chinese village, where several natives came to the commanding officer and asked for permission to accompany the column with their families, saying the women feared the Japanese, who treated them worse than they did the Chinese bandits. Practically the entire village accepted the officer's permission to accompany the rear guard.

The Japanese have ordered all Chinese in Mukden having Russian money to appear at the police station and exchange paper and silver money for Japanese notes issued specially for Manchuria.

The mistake was made before the destruction of several Russian commissariat depots of issuing the spoils to private soldiers to whom officers had given requisition slips.

#### Kuroki's Army Leads.

General Kuroki's Army, in the Field, via Fusan.—General Kuroki's army continues to lead the Japanese forces, which have now been engaged for nine days in hard pursuit, in which they have covered a distance of more than ninety-five miles with frequent fighting.

The weather in the mountains is very cold, with frequent hard storms. The brigade in advance occupied Tie Pass Wednesday after a brief engagement.

The Russian retreat became more disorganized daily after the storm. During the first day the Russians buried their dead, but since then they have left the dead wherever they fell. Tuesday the Russians made an attempt at resistance in entrenchments north of the Hun river, but abandoned them after they had been shelled for two hours.

General Kuroki's army captured the colors of the Fifth regiment of rifles. The colors were inscribed as having been presented to the regiment by the Emperor in 1834. Most of the captured organizations succeeded in burning their standards before surrendering. A few prisoners are secured daily.

It is reported that during General Kuropatkin's resistance at Tower Hill, on the first day's battle, he was slightly wounded by an 11-inch shell which fell near him.

The Chinese officials receive the Japanese generals and soldiers with banners at most of the large towns entered.

#### Linevitch Reports.

St. Petersburg—Commander-in-Chief Linevitch, in a telegram dated Saturday, says:

"On March 17 Japanese batteries bombarded our divisions in the valleys of Tavanpun and Yanpu. The enemy appeared near Kaotalse (on the railroad about twenty-two miles north of Tie Pass), and their cavalry has occupied Fakaman. Our armies continue their concentration."

#### Bright for the Japs.

General Kuroki's Headquarters, in the Field.—Everything now appears to be in favor of the Japanese. They have a magnificent army in the high-spirited, which is rapidly recuperating from the effects of the recent battle and is fully equipped with everything necessary for Manchurian campaigning, together with several

#### Hammond, Ind.—Erie railroad train

No. 7, known as the Pacific Express, while running at the rate of sixty miles an hour, near Windfall Station, plunged down a twenty-foot embankment, injuring twelve people, two of whom may die.

The wreck was caused by the auxiliary fast freight train between here and Mobile early Saturday morning of several hundred dollars' worth of clothing. A car on the train loaded with clothes was broken into and for twenty miles along the side of the road clothing was thrown out to the value of \$100. The passenger train following picked up a quantity of the clothing, which was of fine material. No clue to the thieves has yet been obtained.

lines of communication. The best season of the year is before them.

#### Retreat to Harbin.

General Kuroki's Headquarters in the Field, via Fusan.—The gain of the strongest natural position on the entire railroad, where much money and labor was expended in defenses under General Kuropatkin's personal direction, without a battle, was hardly expected. All indications point to a continuance of the retreat of the Russians to Harbin.

#### Kaiiyuan Evacuated.

Tokio—Headquarters of the Japanese army in the field, reporting under today's date, says: "Our detachment, continuing its advance north, pursued the enemy to Kaiiyuan (some twenty miles north of Tie Pass). Kaiiyuan was evacuated by the enemy on Saturday, after he had retired to the railroad station."

#### Retreat North Continued.

With the Japanese Army, in the Field, via Fusan.—The Russian army continues its northern retreat, the Japanese following. They have occupied Fakaman to the northwest of Tie Pass. Yesterday evening the Russian cavalry camped three miles south of Kaiiyuan. Large Russian columns are retreating toward this place from the southwest. The natives report that they are not stopping there where the hills make a defense possible. If the retreat is forced it probably will be continued to Harbin. The Russians are reported as being badly disorganized.

#### Given Commission.

Carrollton, Ga.—Edgar A. Turner, of this place, has received a commission as second lieutenant in the Chinese reform army. The commission was signed by General R. A. Falkenberg, general in command, of San Francisco.

The leaders of this movement are Gen. R. A. Falkenberg, general in command; Captain Hong Ching, of San Francisco, chief of staff, and Hon. George B. Cole, ex-representative in the United States congress from Seattle, Wash., judge advocate. This movement has been on foot for about four years, and its headquarters are in San Francisco. Mr. Turner served three years in the United States army in the Philippine islands, and came home about a year ago, his term of service having expired.

Mr. Turner has not decided as yet as to whether or not he will accept this commission.

#### Steamer Aground.

Block Island, R. I.—The steamer Spartan of the Boston and Philadelphia Steamship Company, ran aground on the southeastern end of Block Island during a fog Sunday, while on her way from Providence to Philadelphia. A 15-foot hole was stove in the ship's bow and soon the vessel sank so deep that her decks were awash. Sunday the vessel is rapidly breaking up. The crew of twenty-three remained aboard the ship during the day, but were taken off at night. Wreckers have been sent to lighten the cargo.

The ship Spartan is a steel ship of 1,596 gross tons.

#### Balloonists Hurt.

Wallace, Idaho.—W. A. Middlekirk was killed and L. M. Odell seriously injured internally by falling out of a balloon while giving a double ascension here. Both men were seated in parachutes and when they had ascended 200 feet the lower part of the balloon tore away. The parachutes failed to open and both fell among the spectators with terrific force. A young boy was caught by the falling balloon and badly burned.

Middlekirk had nearly every bone in his body broken, while Odell had none broken.

#### Animal Trainer Killed.

Waco, Tex.—John G. Nelson, aged 25, one of the widest known animal trainers in the country, was instantly killed while taking down a tower of an exhibiting show by a guy wire crossing a light cable. The entire voltage entered his body, causing instant death. He leaves a widow and child in Iowa. Nelson made a specialty of educating ponies and dogs.

#### Twenty-four Killed.

Fire Creek, W. Va.—In the two explosions in the Red Ash and Rush Run mines here Saturday night at least twenty-four men were killed, ten of the dead being members of a rescue party, who were caught by the second explosion in the Rush Run mine.

#### Dolphin at Charleston.

Charleston, S. C.—The dispatch boat Dolphin arrived here Sunday and is waiting for Secretary of the Navy Paul Morton and party, who will embark for Guantanamo, Cuba.

Selma, Ala.—Unknown men robbed the fast freight train between here and Mobile early Saturday morning of several hundred dollars' worth of clothing. A car on the train loaded with clothes was broken into and for twenty miles along the side of the road clothing was thrown out to the value of \$100. The passenger train following picked up a quantity of the clothing, which was of fine material. No clue to the thieves has yet been obtained.

## REVENGE IN WARSAW.

### The Strikers Are Carrying Out Threats Against All Who Refuse Support.

#### THE WORKING CLASS EXCITED.

#### Men Determined to Offer Opposition to Mobilization—Revolutionary Doctrines Preached.

Warsaw—Now that most of the strikes are ended, the workmen are beginning to carry out the threat of revenge on such of their fellows as refused to quit work with them. On Saturday a foreman who had refused to walk out was shot and severely wounded. The authorities fear that these incidents are only the beginning of a series of such outrages.

The working class is greatly excited in anticipation of orders for mobilization. The men are determined to offer violent opposition. Scarcely a day passes without the appearance of seditious pamphlets. One secret publication entitled "The Barricades," which was recently circulated, preached revolutionary doctrines, urging workmen to prepare for the struggle and build barricades in the streets. The mobilization is expected to begin in Lodz tomorrow. Workmen in several mills there already are striking, as a manifestation of hostility to such measures. The school strike at Warsaw is reaching an acute stage.

The authorities issued a final order that boys not returning to school before Wednesday will be expelled regardless of their number. The Polish educational committee, which recently went to St. Petersburg, is angered at the government's non-conciliatory attitude, and met here today and resolved to support the boys in striking. More trouble is feared.

Warsaw and Lodz manufacturers have been invited to send delegates to a meeting of industrial representatives from all parts of Russia to Moscow on Thursday to discuss the commercial situation, preparatory to making a report to the ministry of commerce.

#### Troubles in Southern Russia.

St. Petersburg.—The peasant disorders are growing rapidly in the black soil belt and other districts of southern Russia. Provincial journals bring alarming reports showing that an actual reign of terror already exists in some districts. Not only are estates plundered and buildings burned, but landlords are murdered. In some places bands of armed moujiks have taken to the forests and actual battles have occurred between them and estate guardians.

Millions of copies of two documents called "The Golden Scroll" and "Division of Lands" have been circulated. Both tell the peasants that the emperor has decreed a division of land. The provincial newspapers are urgently demanding that the government take energetic measures to check the move before it is too late. Commissions, the bureaucracy is warned, will not do much further, it will be possible to stop them only by great bloodshed.

#### Music Block Damaged.

Providence, R. I.—Fire and water here damaged Music Hall block, in the center of the city, to an amount estimated at \$100,000.

#### Theater Collapses in Chili.

Santiago de Chili.—As a result of the collapse of the Lyric theater Saturday many persons were killed or injured.

#### Congressmen in Porto Rico.

San Juan, P. R.—The United States army transport Sumner, from New York, March 11th, has arrived here with the fourteen congressmen, mostly members of the rivers and harbors committee, attended by their wives and children in most cases. The voyage was uneventful.

#### New Big Pipe Plant.

Birmingham, Ala.—It was given out here that a big 300-ton cast iron pipe plant would be constructed in Sheffield during this summer. The plant will be modern in every particular, and will provide for an outlay of a large sum of money. Employment will be given to 250 hands in this plant.

#### Ten Injured in Wreck.

Hutchinson, Kans.—West-bound Santa Fe passenger train No. 4 was derailed here by a broken rail. Henry Winstein, of Pittsburg, Pa., had a knee fractured and nine other persons were more or less injured.

#### Killed in Collision.

Detroit, Mich.—A north-bound Ann Arbor passenger train collided head-on with a freight locomotive north of Mesick. John Doyle, fireman of the passenger train, was killed. Three trainmen were probably fatally injured; another trainman lost a leg and four passengers and three section men suffered less serious injuries. The freight train had been derailed by spreading rails.

## KUROPATKIN DISGRACED

### Commanding Russian General Peremptorily Called Home.

#### GEN. LINEVITCH TAKES COMMAND

No Mention of Former Leader's Resignation Made in the Dispatches—Record of the New General—Tie Pass Captured—Trouble Still Spreading in Russia.

St. Petersburg, Russia.—With the Japanese hanging on the heels and flanks of the remnants of the broken, defeated Russian army, General Kuropatkin, the old idol of the private soldier, has been dismissed and disgraced and General Linevitch, commander of the First Army, has been appointed to succeed him in command of all the Russian land and sea forces operating against Japan. The word "disgrace" is written in large letters in the laconic imperial order gazetted, which contains not a single word of praise and also disposes of the rumor that Kuropatkin had asked to be relieved.

The Russian military authorities contain no more bitter imperial rebuke. While it was known that the war council had already decided to supplant Kuropatkin after the Mukden disaster, the decision to confer the task of saving the remainder of the army on Linevitch in the very midst of its flight came as a surprise. It transpires that Emperor Nicholas upon the advice of General Dragomiroff and War Minister Sakharoff determined that the step was necessary when it became apparent that Kuropatkin, while concentrating for a stand at Tie Pass, seemed unaware that the Japanese had worked around westward again and practically allowed himself to be surprised. Old reports brought by General Gripenberg regarding Kuropatkin's failing mentalities also had influence.

A dispatch from Chang-tu reports that General Kuropatkin has left there for St. Petersburg.

Under the circumstances, therefore, it was considered imperative, in view of the exceedingly perilous position of the army, to turn over its command to Linevitch, who alone had been able to bring off his army in order after the battle of Mukden. His record during the Chinese war had also demonstrated his capacity as a commander.

The task confided to Linevitch of withdrawing what is left of the great army of 350,000 men to Harbin seemed a desperate one.

General Linevitch is in his sixty-sixth year. He saw his first fighting when he was twenty-one years old, took part in the war with Turkey in 1877, and was in command of the Russian troops in the relief of the legion at Peking in 1900. For his services in China he was congratulated by the Czar.

With the Japanese Left Armies.—The pursuing armies fully occupied Tie Pass at midnight, after a severe fight, the Russians retiring north in confusion after setting fire to the railroad station and supplies.

The successful conclusion of the armies' mission makes the movement the greatest of modern history. The armies covered almost ninety miles in a fortnight, fighting practically every inch of the way.

#### Home Troubles Spread.

Warsaw.—Reports of the spread of the peasant agitation are coming from nearly every part of the country. In the Government of Pskov lands, ranging from 100 to 500, are marching from village to village and inciting laborers to join in the movement.

A dispatch received here from Lodz says that owing to rumors of an approaching mobilization the workers in the woolen mills there have struck, threatening to strike, and some of the men in the smaller factories have already walked out.

The Government has requisitioned all the horses in this district. Workmen in the tire factories here threaten to strike, and some of the men in the smaller factories have already walked out.

#### ROOSEVELT IN NEW YORK CITY.

Attends Wedding of Niece and Speaks at Two Dinners.

New York City.—President Roosevelt arrived here from Washington, D. C., at 12:53 p. m., going straight to the home of his sister, Mrs. Henry Parish, where he gave his niece, Miss Eleanor Roosevelt, away in marriage to his cousin, Frank Delano Roosevelt. In the evening he spoke at the dinners of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick at Delmonico's and the Sons of the American Revolution at the Hotel Astor, returning to Washington at midnight.

#### KUROPATKIN'S PLEA ACCEPTED.

Grand Duke Nicholas to Take Command in Manchuria.

Paris, France.—The correspondent at St. Petersburg of the Petit Parisien says that General Kuropatkin's resignation has been accepted and that Grand Duke Nicholas, who has been consented to take chief command in Manchuria.

#### Killed His Brother.

On unfriendly terms for some time, Charles Hicks shot and killed his brother, Frederick, at Chicago, Ill., and then killed himself.

#### Coach Rolls Down Incline.

Fort Smith, Ark.—A coach containing about a dozen passengers on the Arkansas Western railroad can down an incline while switching near Waldron and crashed with terrific force into a train which was standing on the main line. D. C. Rogers, of Arkansas, was thrown against a stove with such force that he was fatally injured, dying a short time later. Several other passengers received minor injuries.

#### Sheriff Denies Lynching.

Camden, Ala.—G. L. Albrighton, sheriff of this county, stated that the reported lynching of two negroes near Pine Apple is absolutely untrue.

## BOULDERS SMASH WALLS

### Apartment House in New York City Fairly Demolished.

#### Carelessly Controlled Dynamiting Causes Havoc—No People Killed or Injured.

New York City.—Big boulders, hurled by the force of dynamite, crashed against the rear walls of three flat houses in Lexington avenue, near 101st street, and smashed them in from the foundation to the second floors. The living rooms of the occupants were exposed to view, and there were many narrow escapes from death.

The entire neighborhood was thrown into panic. In the bombarded houses women and children ran to the front windows, screaming for help. Into one of the rear rooms a rock weighing about 400 pounds was hurled with terrific force, fell on a dining room table, smashed it into kindling wood, crashed through the second floor to the first and wrecked the furniture there.

A stove was demolished and started a blaze, which was put out quickly. Jagged rocks weighing from fifty to 100 pounds crashed into other rooms. For all this wrecking, it is said, a contractor, blasting out rock in a lot at the rear of the houses, was responsible.

Frederick Lamura had been blasting for four weeks, and protests had been made against the way he was doing the work, for fragments of stone had broken windows. Still, it is said, he took no precautions to prevent such an accident as that which happened. It is supposed he expected to make short work of what remained of the giant boulder, and put a charge of dynamite into a drilled hole.

The heavy charge was exploded and the earth seemed to rise up all around. Two blocks away two members of Senator Frawley's Miami Club were thrown from their seats in the clubhouse. The brick stood in position close to the rock was terrific. Big sections of the rock torn away by the blast shot straight at the rear walls of Nos. 1593, 1595 and 1597 Lexington avenue. Like eggshells the walls gave way before the fearful force of the missiles. Not a brick stood in position from the foundation to the window ledges of the second floors of the three houses. The sound of crashing glass echoed through the district for several minutes after the roar of the explosion had ceased.

The biggest rock landed in Edward J. Cahill's home, No. 1593. His wife and children were out. Cahill had just left the rear bedroom when the 400-pound stone tore its way through the wall and wrecked everything in the place. On the same floor lived Julius Neiburg and his family. Luckily all were out. Every bit of furniture in the rear rooms was crushed. The big stone kept on into the apartment of William Crane, then smashed through the floor.

Mrs. Daniel Reardon, on the second floor of No. 1595, had collapsed. Her husband and children from the front room to dinner. A stone weighing 100 pounds flew into the dining room and smashed a sideboard and dining table to fragments.

After the hubbub ended it was seen the walls gave signs of collapse. An emergency force was sent by the Building Department to shore them up. Lamura tried to escape, but was caught by an angry crowd. He would have been beaten only for the police. He was locked up, charged with criminal negligence.

The scene after the blast looked as if that section of Harlem had been under bombardment by a hostile army. Windows were broken for at least a block in every direction.

#### AN EXPERIMENTAL GARDEN.

Government to Transplant Date Palms From Egypt to Yuma.

Washington, D. C.—The Department of Agriculture will establish an experimental garden on the old military reservation in the town of Yuma, Colorado.

Numerous varieties of date palms from Egypt, Algeria and Arabia, also with varieties of seeds and grasses that appear to be particularly adapted to this region will be planted. A corps of agricultural experts have visited the valleys of the Tigris and the Nile and they believe that they can transplant many valuable plants from those regions to the regions of lower Colorado. The pistachio nut is one of the new products they think will be adapted to this translocation.

#### MENINGITIS CLOSES SCHOOL.

Twenty-five Out of Twenty-six Philadelphia Cases Fatal.



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Columbiana, March 23, 1905.

Strike while the iron is hot.

Raise more hog and hominy and less cotton.

The city election will be pulled off on the 3rd day of April.

Pig iron is now selling at \$14.00 per ton in the Birmingham district.

The Russians are on the run and the "Japs" are close in behind them.

If the farmers don't work to their own interest no one else will for them.

Seed potatoes are a scarce article around here as is also eating potatoes.

It seems that everybody wants a government position—but "wants" is all they will get.

Chancery court was in session here Thursday and Friday with Chancellor Whiteside presiding.

Twenty-four miners lost their lives in a mine explosion at Fire Creek, West Virginia, Sunday night.

From present indications there will not be half as much fertilizer used this year as last in this county.

The peach trees are blooming out fast, and if we don't have any more cold weather peaches will be plentiful this year.

Columbiana ought to have two furnaces, as we have an abundant supply of ore within one and one-half miles of the city sufficient to run them.

We notice throughout the State that almost every town has some kind of a factory, and why not have one in Columbiana? We need something of that kind and must have it.

Gov. William D. Jelks, who has been in New Mexico for several months, returned to Montgomery Friday and took charge of his office as Governor of Alabama Saturday afternoon.

If the farmers all over the country will hold their cotton for ten cents per pound and not sell to the merchants they can soon have the fleecy staple up to that price, and not until then can they do this.

The beef trust must have a very expensive way of killing a steer if it gets only 99 cents for the job. The ordinary butcher in Nebraska calculates to get from \$5 to \$7 for such a job, and then let all the by-products, such as intestines, feet, head and horns go to waste. The Garfield statement is so superlatively ridiculous that it wouldn't fool a drunken injun.—Independent.

The Cotton Growers Association of Shelby county met at the court house in Columbiana Saturday at one o'clock. Quite a number of farmers were present and all expressed themselves as being thoroughly satisfied with the results of the Association. The Association was in session about four hours, and we learn that the members present agreed to reduce the acreage 25 per cent, and also fertilizer the same. The Association adjourned to meet again in this place on Saturday, April 15.

## Notice.

There will be a county meeting of the Farmers Educational and Co-Operative Union at Columbiana the first Saturday in April. Locals will send delegates. All farmers are invited to attend the morning session. The meeting will be addressed by E. J. Cook, state organizer and others.

DAVID LATIMER,  
Shelby County Organizer.

## The Men of Wall Street.

A reader of the Independent called on the editor the other day and wanted to know who "the ten men of Wall street" were, that the editor so often alluded to. He wanted to know their names, and how it was that "ten men" could run the whole country. After the information was given him he insisted that is should be printed for the information of the public generally.

The "ten men of Wall street" are J. Pierpont Morgan, J. J. Hill, A. J. Cassatt, George Gould, W. H. Moore, B. F. Yoakum, H. H. Rogers, E. H. Harriman, W. K. Vanderbilt and John D. Rockefeller.

These gentlemen have divided the country up into five different "spheres of influence" and have planned to take all that the people produce aside from what is necessary to support themselves and perpetuate their kind. These gentlemen "control" 150,000 miles of railroad upon which the lives and business of the people depend. These "spheres of influence," as the diplomats say when they are talking about China, are known as the Morgan-Hill system, the Pennsylvania system, the Gould system, the Rock Island system, and Rockefeller-Harriman system. The Rockefeller-Harriman system covers lines running from Boston to San Francisco, Portland, Ore., down to Los Angeles and back east through Arizona, New Mexico, Texas and Louisiana to New Orleans. It has also a heavy mass of roads laying west of Lake Michigan, running to St. Paul, Milwaukee, and out into the Dakotas.

The Hill-Morgan system includes lines running from Boston along the southern shore of the lakes to Chicago, and then out through Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas, with lines along the northern border of the United States to Seattle, together with a group of roads laying in the Carolinas, Georgia and other southern states.

The Pennsylvania, Gould and Rock Island systems cover the whole heart of the country, the lines being thick from New York west to Chicago and in the States of the Mississippi Valley. This is the way this vast empire of 80,000,000 of people is divided up between the ten men of Wall street. All its mines, its fields and its factories are dependant upon the orders of these ten men.

As to how they got this power. They do not "own" this 160,000 miles of railroad, but they "control" them; they have the absolute management of them. Rates go up or down, taxes are paid or not paid, men are sent to congress or the United States senate or kept by the orders of these ten men.

They got "control" through the banks and the money power of which they themselves are principle part. It was by multiplying the money of the people, deposited in savings and other banks and insurance companies that they were able to "finance" these properties said to be worth three billions of dollars. These men got hold of a road and then put a first mortgage on all the real property to its full value. That mortgage they handed over to some trust company to hold as a security for bonds issued to the full value of the road. Then stock was issued, preferred and common. Of course this stock being nothing but water capitalized, the roads being mortgaged for all they were worth before it was issued usually sold a long ways below par. All that was necessary to get "control" of the roads was to get a majority of the stock. That is what these ten men of Wall street did. They got a majority of the stock of this 160,000 miles of railroad. They didn't even get a majority, for there are hundreds of worshippers of these "captains of industry" owning stock in these roads who always send their proxies to be voted as these ten men wish. It is probable that not ten millions of money was put up by these ten men to get the "control" of property valued at three billions.

As these ten men are much more powerful despots than is the czar of Russia. They could at any time starve any city into submission to their will by raising rates. They can transfer the business of handling export grain from Chicago and New York to New Orleans and Galveston. They can take the value out of land by a stroke or two of the pen, by ordering high rates on the products of that land. They can put value into land by giving a certain part of the country favorable rates on its products. They can, in fact, do almost anything they wish. Upon the whims, likes and dislikes of these ten men the fate of the country depends more than any country ever did upon the whims of a king.—The Independent.

CHAMPION LINIMENT  
FOR RHEUMATISM.  
Chas. Drake, a mail carrier at Chapinville, Conn., says: "Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the champion of all liniments. The past year I was troubled a great deal with rheumatism in my shoulder. After trying several cures the storekeeper here recommended this remedy and it completely cured me." There is no use of any one suffering from that painful ailment when this liniment can be obtained for a small sum. One application gives prompt relief and its continued use for a short time will produce a permanent cure. For sale by Williams Bros.

## Cotton Growers Association.

The Cotton Growers Protective Association of Shelby county, Ala., convened in Columbiana March 18, 1905, and was called to order by Judge A. P. Longshore.

1. The County President, Mr. Hosea Pearson, being reported ill, Col. W. T. Smith was called to the chair in his absence.

2. An address was delivered by Col. Smith on the purposes of this organization, showing clearly the vital importance of the farmers hearty cooperation.

3. Col. W. T. Smith was unanimously elected chairman for the day.

4. The County Secretary, Mr. W. E. Finley, tendered his resignation, which was accepted.

5. G. D. Baldwin was elected Secretary to succeed Mr. Finley.

6. The Chairman called for reports from the various beats of the county, and in response to the call, several beats were heard from, showing a tendency to reduce the acreage of last year at least 25 per cent, on a general average, but in some instances a great deal larger percentage.

7. A motion was adopted to adjourn 40 minutes for dinner.

8. At 1:45 P. M. the Association was called to order by the Chairman.

9. A motion was offered to request the county Secretary of this organization to write the Secretary of the State organization for at least 50 copies of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Cotton Growers Association, also for blanks for membership, and reports from the various beats, which was adopted.

10. A motion was offered and adopted, requesting the delegates or treasurers from the various beats, to pay over all money due the County and State organizations, which they now hold, to the treasurer of the county organization.

11. A motion was adopted to request the President of each beat to appoint a committee to canvass their respective beats in order to obtain true reports on the reduction of acreage and commercial fertilizer, and the number of bales of cotton on hand, etc.

12. A motion was adopted to authorize the county Secretary to draw from the treasurer money sufficient to pay for stationery used in the work of this organization.

13. Another motion was adopted to request the Probate Judge of this county to cause to be printed in both of our county papers the law regarding the analysis of the commercial fertilizers.

14. Judge A. P. Longshore delivered a short oration, which was listened to attentively by the audience. He also offered some resolutions which were unanimously adopted, as follows:

Resolved 1st, That we, as members of the Cotton Growers Protective Association of Shelby county, in convention assembled, hereby pledge ourselves to reduce the acreage of cotton planted in 1905 25% less than we planted in 1904, and to reduce the amount of fertilizer used accordingly.

Resolved 2nd, That this Convention express its hearty approval of the firm adherence made by the farmers to the requests of the State and national organizations as to the reduction of acreage and the use of fertilizer.

Resolved 3rd, That we urge the cotton growers of Shelby county to stand firm and remain true to their pledges, believing that this is the surest and best course that can be pursued.

Resolved 4th, That we warn the farmers of Shelby county against signing notes debarring them of the right to have analyzed the fertilizer sold to them.

15. On motion the Association adjourned to convene again on Saturday, the 15th day of April, 1905, at 10 A. M.

W. T. SMITH, Tem. Chm.  
G. D. BALDWIN, Sec.  
A. P. LONGSHORE, Treas.

## C. C. DuBose Dead.

Last Saturday morning the remains of C. C. DuBose were found lifeless in one of the rooms at the Central Hotel, and it is supposed that he died between twelve o'clock Friday night and day light Saturday morning. Mr. DuBose had been out of town for several days and on his return last Friday afternoon went to the Central Hotel, where a physician was summoned to attend him. This being done and Mr. DuBose appearing to be easy, the doctor left him in his room. On Saturday morning when the proprietor of the hotel went to find out what he wanted for his breakfast he was found dead.

Mr. DuBose was well known in our little town, having been raised here and having lived here most of his life. He was for many years, editor of the Shelby Chronicle, the democratic organ of this county, and was prominent in politics.

Several years ago he married a most estimable and amiable lady of Indianapolis, Ind., and with his bride came back to his old home to live, where they lived until about 6 months ago, while on a visit to her parents, his life companion sickened and died, leaving him in sorrow and grief. Three beautiful little girls are left fatherless and motherless by the death of Mr. and Mrs. DuBose. The sympathy and feeling of our entire town are with those dear little girls in their sad bereavement, and may the blessings of Him who knows best in all things be with them.

After appropriate services, conducted by Rev. Joseph Duglison at the Presbyterian church, the remains of Mr. DuBose were laid to their last resting place in the city cemetery with Phythian honors, he having been a faithful Knight.

The Advocate, together with many sorrowing friends, extends sympathy to the bereaved family.

## Wedding at Vincent.

Cupid played a part at Vincent last Wednesday, March 15th, at 10 o'clock A. M., when the hands and hearts of Mr. John R. Dyke and Miss Leila Lawley were joined together as man and wife, Rev. R. A. Kidd performing the ceremony which made the contracting parties life companions.

The bride was one of Vincent's most charming and accomplished young ladies, amiable, kind and modest. She is much loved and respected by those who have known her all her life and her friends and admirers at her little home town and community are legion.

The groom is one of Shelby county's most prominent citizens, and is at present Clerk of the Circuit Court of our county, having been elected to that position at the last election in this county.

The wedding was a very quiet affair and immediately after the ceremony the couple boarded the Central of Georgia train for the country home of the groom, where they spent a few days before coming to Columbiana.

Last Saturday the newly married couple arrived at Columbiana, their future home and are domiciled at the residence of Mr. W. J. Horsley on North Main street.

The citizens of our town and community welcome the newly married couple to our midst, and indeed this is an addition to the citizenship of our town of which all are proud.

The Advocate with many friends extend congratulations.

## Teachers Institute.

The following is the program for Shelby County Teachers Institute to be held at Columbiana, Friday and Saturday, March 31st and April 1st, 1905:

FRIDAY, 11 A. M.

Song.  
Devotional Exercises—Rev. G. T. Harris.  
Welcome Address—S. Dowell.  
Response—J. W. Ellenburg.  
Enrollment of Teachers.  
Adjournment.

FRIDAY, 1:30 P. M.

Song.  
Qualifications of the Primary Teacher—Miss Stella Posey.  
Physical Training and the Laws of Health—J. J. Holladay.  
Character Building—C. H. Florey.  
The Necessity of a Uniform Course of Study in Schools of our Country—Spright Dowell.  
Night Session, 7:30 P. M.

Better School Houses—E. G. Humphries.  
Local Taxation for Support of Schools—J. H. B. Hall.  
The New School Laws—P. T. Graves.

SATURDAY, 9 A. M.

Song and Prayer.  
The Importance of Educational Journals—Miss Kate Gorman.  
Teaching Agriculture—J. W. Ellenburg.  
Teaching the Constitution and the Duties of Citizenship—J. J. Strock.  
Methods in Teaching Geography—Miss Janie Wallace.  
Methods in (a) Teaching Long Division; (b) Fractions; (c) Denominate Numbers; (d) Percentage—S. P. Williams and W. S. McEwen.  
Resolutions.  
Adjournment.

We earnestly insist on every teacher in the county attending this Institute. The law requires it; the cause of education demands it; no teacher will be excused except for providential hindrances. We cordially invite the public to come and lend all encouragement possible.

J. O. DOROUGH,  
Supt. of Education and Ex. Officer  
President of Board of Education.

FOR AN IMPAIRED APPETITE.  
Loss of appetite always results from faulty digestion. All that is needed is a few doses of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They will invigorate the stomach, strengthen the digestion and give you an appetite like a wolf. These Tablets also act as a gentle laxative. For sale by Williams Brothers.

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## Colds

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## County Correspondents.

### Fourmile.

Farmers have been progressing very nicely with their work the past week.

Rev. Brooks, of Wilsonville, filled his regular appointment here Sunday, and spoke on a very interesting subject.

The preaching at Blue Spring church formerly on the third Sunday has been changed to the fourth Sunday.

James Mitchell and daughter, Miss Lula, spent a few days at Marble Valley last week.

Joe Epperson returned from Texas Sunday.

S. J. Spearman and wife spent Saturday night with J. W. Bradley and family.

J. D. Riddle, of the Southern Railway, is at home with a case of the mumps.

J. M. Carter and R. A. Simmons made a flying trip to Union Sunday.

The members of the Baptist church at this place are to meet and finish the remainder of the work on addition Saturday, March 25.

James Carter was the escort of Miss Ida Blackberry Sunday.

There is to be a singing at the residence Jno. Walton Sunday night.

Prof. Dowell, of Columbiana, will lecture at the Center School House on the evening of the 31st. All are cordially invited to attend.

JOLLIE CREW.

### Dargin.

Rev. J. T. Black filled his regular appointment at this place Sunday.

C. M. Wooten transacted business here Saturday.

J. G. Frost, of Spring Creek, was here Saturday.

Sam Strickland, of Ebenezer, was here Saturday on business.

Sidney Lynch was here Sunday.

Will Haywood and Arthur Farr, of Mt. Era, were here Sunday.

Uncle Valve McClintock, of Spring Creek, was here Saturday.

S. P. Griffin, of South Calera, was a visitor to Dargin Tuesday.

F. A. Lynch went to Birmingham last week on business.

J. S. Evans went to Shelby one day last week.

D. G. Baldwin went to Columbiana Saturday.

A. W. Marcus and G. W. Littleton spent Sunday in Chilton county.

R. C. Naish, of Saginaw, spent Saturday on business.

George Beard, of the Kingdom, was here Saturday.

### BUFFALO BILL.

Davis School House.

Health of community very good. Rev. J. T. Lucas preached a very interesting sermon at Pilgrims Rest Sunday.

P. B. Davis, of East Saginaw, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Hand Davis.

Duke Buckner and wife, spent Saturday night and Sunday in Shelby.

MISS IDA.

New Bethesada.

Health of community very good.

I. J. Davis attended services at Pilgrim Rest Sunday.

There will be preaching at New Bethesada the fourth Saturday night in March. All are cordially invited to attend.

Misses Mary and Nancy Davis spent Sunday with Miss Mary Blackberry.

Miss Jane Davis went to Columbiana Thursday.

Mrs. B. L. Davis spent Saturday and Sunday with her father's family, T. M. Hataway.

M. M. Howell and family spent Sunday with Man Howell and family.

EXTRY GIRL.

### Maylene.

Walter Wooten has moved back to Maylene.

The party at J. M. Harper's was highly enjoyed by all present.

Richard Harper was the happy escort of Miss Hethey Pledger Sunday.

M. L. Wooten went to Montevallo Friday.

J. A. G. has bought him a family bible, I think he is going to get married before long.

Charlie Reneau has been sick, but is able to be up.

The Club meeting at Maylene last Friday night was highly enjoyed by all present, at the close of which dainty refreshments were served.

REX.

### Happy Hollow.

Our town is still growing and increasing in wealth and population.

Mr. Baugh gave Happy Hollow a call this week.

Charlie don't get insulted, "no fools no fun."

Several of our people attended the singing at Sterrett Sunday, and while there were entertained by the acrobatical performances of Mr. Elder riding his wheel.

I. X. L.

### Weldon.

W. J. Sewell transacted business in Columbiana Saturday last.

Mex J. Sharbut paid Jackson's mill here Vincent, a business trip Saturday.

J. M. Greenhaw, of near Columbiana, was in our community one day last week.

Rev. G. P. McDaniel filled his regular appointment at Union Saturday and Sunday.

The remains of H. Downs, of Harpersville, were laid to rest in the Ebenezer cemetery Sunday afternoon. We extend sympathy to his father and mother in this, their sad hour of bereavement.

Miss Nancy Dye, of Lynch, is teaching a music school in our community.

Quite a crowd attended prayer meeting at Union Wednesday night. Don't fail to come this way all the time.

J. W. Roper and lady, of Fourmile, attended divine worship at Union Sunday.

Several of the young people of Fourmile and Beeswax, were up Sunday to hear the word of God and to see their best girls.

The singing at the residence of E. H. Rasco's Saturday night was a grand success and enjoyed by all present.

We have been requested to state that their will be an all day dinner and singing on the ground at Mt. Taber next Sunday.

B. C. Gardner was the happy escort of Miss Mattie Griffin Sunday at Union.

W. L. Walton was the most welcome guest of Miss Emma Rasco Sunday as usual, so they say.

Miles Reed and family, of Fourmile, attended divine worship at Union Sunday.

Miss Rilla Dickerson, of near Sterrett, came down Sunday to hear Rev. McDaniel expound the Gospel.

Well, I must close for this time, hoping the readers will excuse short comings.

WILD BILL.

### East Saginaw.

Health of community good.

The singing at the Morris School House was enjoyed by all present.

Walter Davis was the happy escort of Miss Clara Smith Sunday as usual.

Lon Davis had a smile on his face a yard long Sunday. His girl must have said yes.

Sam Farrell and Will Forsythe, of Calvary, were down deer hunting Sunday.

OUR PINK.

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## SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

Condensed Schedule in Effect November 8, 1904.

No. 22	No. 16	STATIONS	No. 15	No. 51
7.00pm	5.50am	lv. Mobile, ar	0.50pm	10.00am
7.30am	6.00am	ar Birmingham	1.30pm	10.30am
8.00am	6.30am	ar Birmingham	1.50pm	10.50pm
8.30am	6.50am	ar Chas'n's h't	2.00pm	11.00am
8.50am	7.00am	ar Bristol, lv	2.10pm	11.10am
9.15pm	7.15pm	ar Asheville, lv	2.30pm	11.30am
9.45pm	7.45pm	ar Asheville, lv	2.50pm	11.50am
1.00am	8.00am	ar Lynchburg, lv	3.00pm	12.00pm
8.30am	8.30am	ar Washington, lv	3.10pm	12.10pm
8.50am	8.50am	ar Washington, lv	3.20pm	12.20pm

No. 22 and 21 carry Pullman sleeping cars between Mobile and Birmingham, Birmingham and New York. Cafe car serves meals en route.

No. 15	STATIONS	No. 16
7.30am	lv. Mobile, ar	9.20pm
8.00am	ar Akron, lv	7.30pm
8.30am	Greensboro, lv	6.40pm
8.50am	Greensboro, lv	6.40pm
11.50am	ar Selma, lv	4.30pm

No. 1474	No. 10	STATIONS	No. 15	No. 51
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Birmingham, Ala.

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Memphis, Tenn.

Notice of Application to Sell Land.

The State of Alabama, Shelby Co.  
Probate Court, Special Term, February 18th, 1905.

In the matter of the application of W. T. Francis for sale of certain lands for partition and division.

The said W. T. Francis, having this day filed in said Court his petition in writing, alleging that he and R. W. Francis, T. L. Francis, Ammi Crowe, and children of Maggie Webster, to-wit: Rosa Webster, Richard Webster, Will Webster, Charlie Webster and John Webster are the joint owners of certain real estate, described in said petition, and that said property can not be equitably divided or partitioned without a sale thereof. The 23rd day of March, 1905, was appointed a day for the hearing of the same, and in as much as it appears that one of the parties represented as being interested in said property, live without the State; it is therefore ordered that notice of said petition, and of the time

and place set for hearing, the same be given by publication, to be continued weekly for three successive weeks in the Peoples Advocate, a newspaper published in this county.

A. P. LONGSHORE,  
Judge of Probate.

A CHICAGO ALDERMAN OWES HIS ELECTION TO CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY.

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## THE PEOPLE'S ADVOCATE

Social and Local News.

Joe Verchot is sick with the mumps.

John C. Williams, of Shelby, was in town Saturday.

Mrs. J. B. Elliott, we are sorry to state, is quite sick.

Columbiana has been full of fruit agents this week.

Mrs. J. H. Robertson is visiting relatives at Pratt City.

J. A. Jackson spent Sunday on Fourmile with his parents.

Circuit court will convene one week from next Monday, April 3.

J. K. Milner, of Anniston, was in the city Thursday and Friday.

Rev. G. T. Harris will preach at the Methodist church next Sunday.

J. I. Abercrombie, Esq., spent Sunday and Monday in Birmingham.

Simon Friedberger spent last Thursday in Talladega on business.

W. P. Thomas spent a part of Saturday and Sunday in Talladega.

A. H. Avery and wife, of Shelby, were in the city Thursday afternoon.

F. M. Hallmark, of Selma, visited his family here Saturday and Sunday.

John Millstead, of Wilsonville, visited relatives here Sunday and Monday.

J. P. Pearson, of Bridgeton, was in town Monday and Tuesday on business.

W. W. Wallace, Esq., was in Anniston Saturday on professional business.

James Evans and R. C. Smith, of Wilsonville, spent Sunday here with friends.

E. S. Lyman, Esq., of Montevallo, attended Chancery court here Thursday.

Dr. A. W. Horton, of Weldon, was in the city Monday a short while Saturday.

Mrs. Walter Meroney, of Avondale, visited relatives here Thursday and Friday.

E. W. Chapman, of Montevallo, spent several days in the city last week with relatives.

Misses Annie Longshore and Myra Browne visited friends in Birmingham last week.

Mrs. F. M. Johnson, of Ressemer, visited the family of J. T. Cromwell a few days last week.

Mrs. Simon Friedberger and children are visiting relatives and friends at Catherine, Ala.

Rev. John Milner, of Rosewell, Ga., visited relatives in the city last week and a part of this.

D. C. Nickerson, of Siluria, was in town Saturday attending the Cotton Growers Association.

Mrs. Geo. Mansfield, of Birmingham, is in the city visiting her mother, Mrs. S. J. Hammond.

H. C. DuBose, of Monroeville, attended the funeral of his brother, Clarence, here Sunday afternoon.

W. L. Farley and wife visited relatives in Birmingham and Bridgeton Saturday and Sunday.

Dr. L. M. Latham, of Ensley, was in the city Wednesday and Thursday of last week visiting relatives.

Mrs. A. H. Verchot, after spending a few days here with relatives, returned to her home at Pratt City Saturday.

Presiding Elder Johnson, of Talladega, preached an interesting sermon at the Methodist church last Thursday night.

From the plainest sewing to the handsomest dresses can be had by calling on Mrs. J. W. Peers, at residence on Depot street.

Rev. Partridge, of East Lake, filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church Sunday at 11 A. M. There was no preaching at night on account of rain.

J. T. Cromwell had the misfortune Sunday afternoon to get two nails stuck through his hand while lifting an old door, but however, he is able to be out now.

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Sheriff R. F. Cox was in Birmingham Tuesday.

Walter Ozley of Longview, was in town Tuesday.

W. D. Bailey, of Vincent, was in the city Saturday.

Mrs. W. H. Bird, we are sorry to state, is still quite sick.

Ollie Goer, of Calera, was a visitor in town Sunday.

T. M. Duncan, of Dargin, was in town Saturday a short while.

S. W. Nelson made a business trip over to Birmingham Monday.

J. S. Jackson, of Fodrmile, was among the visitors in town Saturday.

The heaviest rain of the season fell here Sunday night and Monday.

H. S. Latham, of Montevallo, has been in town this week on business.

Dr. B. H. Smothers, of Fourmile, was in town a short while Saturday.

R. T. Johnson, of Shelby Springs, was among the visitors in town Saturday.

W. B. Browne, Esq., spent a part of Monday and Tuesday in Talladega on business.

There was quite a crowd in town Saturday attending the Cotton Growers Association.

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Quite a number of the K. of P's., of Wilsonville, attended the funeral of Clarence DuBose here Sunday afternoon.

Misses Gertrude and Carrie DuBose, of Indianapolis, Ind., spent a few days here this week with relatives.

Miss Lallage Longshore, of Sylacauga, visited her parents, Judge and Mrs. A. P. Longshore, here Sunday and Monday.

Miss Mollie Houser, who has been visiting the family of W. E. Harrison for some time, returned to her home in Montevallo Tuesday.

L. M. Dyke and wife, of Attalla, attended the funeral of C. C. DuBose here Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Dyke remained over a few days with relatives.

Gordon DuBose and wife, of Ensley, attended the funeral of C. C. DuBose here Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. DuBose remained a few days with relatives and friends.

NOTICE.

Four cotton tickets Nos. 1718, 1741, 1743 and 1744 were lost or misplaced in our store last Saturday. These tickets represent cotton bought by the Columbiana Mercantile Co. We have the duplicates, but should any one find the originals we would appreciate the return of same.

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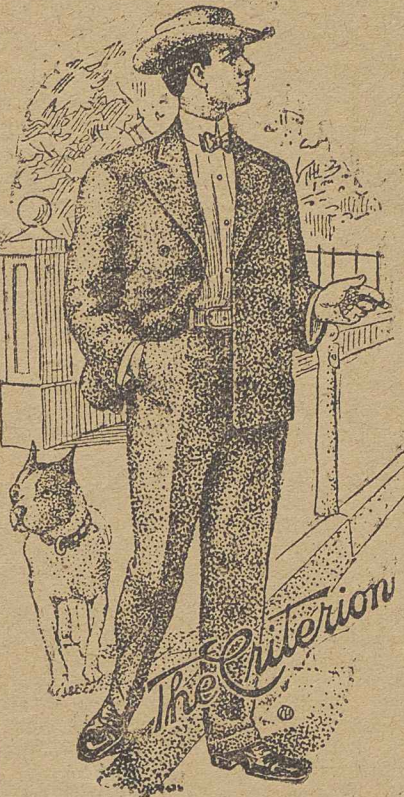
Death of C. H. Strain.

C. H. Strain, a well known citizen of this county living about five miles east of Columbiana, died at his home last Saturday evening of Meningitis.

Mr. Strain had been sick for several weeks with Lagrippe and had relapsed several times, and finally the disease developed into the one above stated which ended his life. He was a prominent citizen of his community and was highly respected by all who knew him. He was forty years of age and had never been married. He was a successful farmer and saw mill man and had accumulated quite an amount of property. His remains were laid to rest in the Johnsons cemetery, the funeral services being conducted by Rev. Joseph Duglison of this city.

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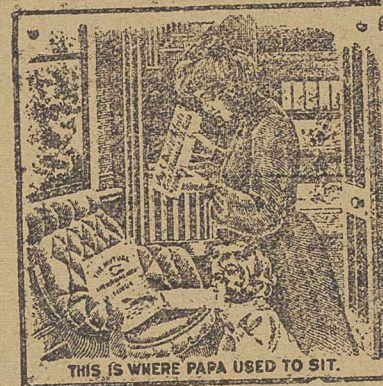
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### Notice!

The State of Alabama, Shelby Co.  
Notice is hereby given, that on the 27th day of February, 1905, upon the report and application of Wesley Ozley, Administrator of the estate of John W. Naish, deceased, said estate was declared insolvent, and that on the 3rd day of April, 1905, at a term of the Probate Court of said County to be held in Columbiana, said Wesley Ozley, Administrator aforesaid, will make a final settlement of the administration of said estate, as required by the order of said Court, when and where all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they see proper, and may also select an administrator de bonis non.  
Witness my hand, this 27th day of February, 1905.

A. P. LONGSHORE,

Judge of Probate.

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If you have experienced or painful menstruation, weakness of the stomach, indigestion, bloating, leucorrhoea, flooding, nervous prostration, dizziness, faintness, "don't-care" and "want-to-be-left-alone" feeling, excitability, backache or the blues, these are sure indications of female weakness, some derangement of the uterus or ovarian trouble. In such cases there is one tried and true remedy—Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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**German Railways.**  
A recent report by the Minister of Public Works shows that the German Government railways employed 560,263 persons last year; the number of locomotives in use was 21,248. The locomotives represented a value of over \$240,000,000.

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We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Remedy.

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**South America is Awake.**  
There are 27,800 miles of railway now in full operation in South America, and Argentina has 11,000 of these miles. This is only one sign of what has consistently been done by successive governments in those much-troubled republics.

**Colors Which Birds Dislike.**  
Red will worry a turkey cock as much as a bull, but a sparrow will not let it disturb his mind. But if one flirts a blue rag in front of a caged sparrow's eyes he will go frantic with disgust. Sparrows and linnets, too, will refuse food offered them on a piece of blue paper, and dislike the appearance of any one wearing a blue dress. Medium light blue effects them most, and blue serge they scarcely mind at all. Thrushes and blackbirds object to yellow, but will use red or blue dried grasses left about their haunts to build the outer layer of their nests. Yellow grasses they will not use.

**American Peasage Facts.**  
With the marriage of the Earl of Suffolk to Miss Daisy Leiter the Americans married to peers number twenty-five. As usual, there is a great deal of foolish talk about Americanizing the peasage, new blood and other fancies of a similar kind. As a matter of fact, this number includes all the Americans, with one exception, married to peers since 1890, a period of forty-four years. Nor is this all. Ten of these ladies have no children at all, and six have no sons, so that the peasage is not likely to be Americanized yet awhile.

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## How to Catch Health.

By Dr. Lazarus Preston.

**W**HEN our bodies are in a disordered condition, changes of temperature cause us to have what we call colds. This means that the body is so clogged with waste material, that is, material it cannot use, that its action is enfeebled; action is warmth, and when the action is feeble we cannot endure cold; the stillest stream of water freezes the quickest. If we enfeeble the action of our bodies by choking all its avenues with more food than it can use, or the kind of food it cannot use, or if we enfeeble the body by putting into it inflaming substances like spices, meat and liquid stimulants, or if we make it weak by over-action, exhausting it as we do in excessive work or play, we shall take cold easily, and suffer more or less severely as the abuse is small or great. Disease cannot enter our bodies except there is something of kin there it has an affinity for. A perfectly healthy body will never catch any disease, for it is a non-conductor of disease; it is a conductor of health only. All over this earth it is the same; the law of magnetism prevails in every created thing; magnetic attraction determines the quality of everything that comes to another.

It is in this way that all diseases are caught; this is the only contagion that exists. A person does not catch smallpox because someone else has it, but because his condition favors it; his condition has an affinity to his surroundings or someone brings conditions that harmonize with his own. It would be a poor plan to take a dangerous poison into the system to neutralize or counteract another poison, and the intelligent minds of today are discarding such methods as barbarous. Nature always works for us, and if we work against ourselves and nature, the difficulty nature has to save us is painful to us, and the more disorder we create the greater the difficulty. So long as nature is working for us, trying to repair our injury to ourselves, there is pain, but when nature is vanquished, and can do no more, there is no more pain, but death, the dissolution of the body; for action, which is vibration, is what keeps the body in form, and when it ceases the body has nothing to hold it in form and it falls to pieces.

Let us live so that we shall catch health instead of disease; let us make ourselves good conductors of life; if we are now diseased, let us make ourselves good conductors as quickly as possible. If we are so weak and enslaved that we cannot make the effort alone, we can get help from the strong magnetic currents of some other who understands the law of magnetic attraction, and such a one will not only strengthen the magnetic currents of the feeble one, but teach them how to help themselves and be their own conductor.

## The Blessing of Work.

By the Rev. T. B. Gregory.

**L**ABOR makes all that we eat and drink taste good to us. Labor gives the sound, refreshing sleep that no opiate can supply. Labor insures the good digestion and rich red blood that no prescription of the apothecary is able to give.

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Those who do their part of the world's work, thereby advancing the world's progress, have the proud consciousness of being useful.

With no alien feeling do they walk through the world. Upon the varied industries whose united effort is pushing out the frontier of civilization they can look with the consciousness that they are a part of it all, a living, vital part.

To the grandeur, material and moral, which rises more and more imposingly about them, they feel that they are contributors, since it is by their muscle and brain, by their labor of hand and head, that it has all come about.

And is it not a most exhilarating thought! Can the petted, pampered darling, lolling in his luxurious idleness, have the glory of such thought bought for him with all his money?

Let no man bemoan the fact, then, that it is his lot to labor. It would be a piece of supererogation to say that labor is "honorable." Not since the French Revolution has the world thought otherwise.

But labor is more than honorable—it is glorious and blessed. It gives a tinge to the cheek and a glow to the heart. It makes a man manly and self-respecting. It confers the proud consciousness of co-partnership with the advancing world.

Find something to do, then, and do it. Look about you for some useful task to which you may seriously and lovingly dedicate your energies; and be glad and proud of the opportunity of finding one.

Be a man, not a manikin. Be a worker, not a drone. Thus shall you find the only real pleasure—that of knowing that you are doing something toward making the race of mankind wiser, happier and better.—New York American.

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From Hawaii.

Prince Jonah Kalaianalea, delegate in Congress from Hawaii, writes from Washington, D. C., as follows:

"I can cheerfully recommend your Peruna as a very effective remedy for coughs, colds and catarrhal troubles."

A Cuban Minister.

Senor Quesada, Cuban Minister to the United States, writes from Washington, D. C., as follows:

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## ALABAMA STATE EVENTS.

Items of Interest Gathered as They Transpire Over the Entire State.

**Bleaching Test is Successful.**  
Gadsden, Ala.—The initial test of the new bleaching of the Adams knitting mill proved very successful. About 300 pounds of gauze web for undershirts was the contents of the first trial batch, and samples examined by experts show that the work is first class in every respect. J. M. Catlett, of the Nye & Redick Manufacturing Company, who was present, states that the test made in this case is remarkable from the fact that he had never known of so successful a bleach from the start. In the future all the cloth used in the Adams knitting mill will be bleached at the plant here.

**Glucose Factory.**  
Montgomery, Ala.—An effort will be made to locate in Montgomery a factory for the manufacture of glucose, starch and kindred products from the yucca plant, and the Commercial and Industrial association is seeking information about it. The men who desire to come here want to put in an enterprise that will employ about 100 men and it will be necessary to have four thousand acres planted in the weed to meet the demands of the factory.

**Securing Rights of Way.**  
Huntsville, Ala.—Rights of way for the proposed Nashville and Huntsville Interurban railroad are being procured by agents in the northern part of Madison county, and in Lincoln county, Tennessee. The land owners as a rule are glad enough to give rights of way through their property, but in Lincoln county some of them want a signed agreement that the road will never pass into the hands of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railway.

**New Corporations.**  
Evergreen, Ala.—The Evergreen Fruit Company, of Evergreen, Conecuh county, capitalized at \$20,000, has filed papers of incorporation with the secretary of state. The object of the corporation is to buy, own, sell and lease real estate and to engage in the business of planting, cultivating, growing, selling and dealing in fruits, vegetables, etc., and to engage in the business of truck farming, fruit culture, fruit raising, horticulture and general nursery business in all its forms, to manufacture crates, crate material and boxes and act as agents for others in the sale of the products.

**Steamboat Companies Merge.**  
Gadsden, Ala.—There is no truth in the published report sent out from Rome that the Coosa River Transportation Company, of Gadsden, which owns the steamer Alabama, has sold out to the Georgia and Alabama Steamboat Company, of Rome. The facts are that the two lines have been merged into one for mutual benefit and protection, and that the headquarters of the two companies will be in Gadsden, and that the boats will start out on their regular trips from Gadsden instead of Rome, giving Gadsden two boats and making four round trips out of Gadsden each week. Captain Lefevre, of the Gadsden Company, will remain in charge of the merger and will have his headquarters in this city.

**Confederate Monument.**  
Birmingham, Ala.—The Confederate Soldiers and Sailors' monument in Capitol park will be unveiled on April 26th, just eleven years after the cornerstone of the monument was laid.

**Shooting at Adamsville.**  
Adamsville, Ala.—Isaac Weaver was shot and mortally wounded just as he was leaving a Frisco train at Adamsville Thursday morning. He does not know who shot him or for what cause. He was returning to his home from Birmingham, where he spent the day, when he was shot.

**Charges Against Postoffice Officials.**  
Indianapolis, Ind.—Col. Russell B. Harrison is in receipt of a letter from B. St. John Hoyt, of Pittsburg, in which Mr. Hoyt says he called the attention of the postoffice department last year to the Storey Cotton Company, of Philadelphia, who recently failed, and that no investigation of the company was made by the department. Mr. Harrison at the request of Mr. Hoyt will forward the correspondence to President Roosevelt. It is charged by intimation that some employes or employees of the postoffice department may have been protecting the company from the investigation asked for by Mr. Hoyt.

**New Bridge Being Built.**  
Tuscaloosa, Ala.—The Wisconsin Iron Company is engaged in the erection of a bridge for the Warrior Southern over Hurricane creek, just above Holt. It will be remembered that a washout and other troubles at Hurricane have interfered with the Warrior Southern considerably, so a new and substantial bridge is being put in. J. V. Marlborough is superintending the work.

**Location Decided Upon.**  
Anniston, Ala.—The plant of the Southern Electric and Manufacturing Company will be located in South Anniston, near the site of the old Oxford depot, on the Birmingham division of the Southern railway. A plot of eight acres of land has been secured, and work will be started on the buildings within three weeks. Manager W. L. Goodhart is in the city and is making final arrangements for beginning the work. He expects to let the contract for the buildings complete so that the work will start within three weeks.

**Assaulted His Brother-in-Law.**  
Gadsden, Ala.—Boss Wright made a murderous assault upon his brother-in-law, H. Walter Burns, at his home four miles below Gadsden Wednesday afternoon. Burns came to town and swore out a warrant for Wright.

Wright is said to have been drinking and went to the field where Burns was plowing and drawing his gun fired but Burns knocked the gun up and they clinched, Burns whipping Wright, who then left, but that night again made an assault upon Burns at his home, and was again whipped. Burns came to town after the warrant, and during his absence Wright knocked down the door of Burns' residence, drove his mother and sister out in the night, threatened to kill them and demolished the furniture. Wright was arrested and brought to Gadsden and jailed. He is a member of a splendid family.

**Shooting at Maplesville.**  
Selma, Ala.—Tom Callen was brought to the city Friday from Maplesville, where he was shot Thursday by Large Long, a negro. The bullet wound is on the right side, a little above the abdomen, and he has slight chance for recovery. Callen says that Long has been trying to take his wife away from him and that he went to see him about it, and that Long shot him before he had a chance to open his mouth to him.

**New Building.**  
Montgomery, Ala.—It is understood that at the last meeting of the state capital commission a definite agreement was reached to build a separate building to the right of the main structure for the supreme court, to cost in the neighborhood of \$65,000, and that the balance of the appropriation was to be expended in fixing up the old building as best it would. With the \$65,000 for the land and the same amount for the supreme court structure there will be only \$20,000 left for the repair work.

**Peonage Charge Filed Against Pace.**  
Montgomery, Ala.—John W. Pace, of Tallapoosa county, has been again charged with holding negroes in peonage and was directed to appear before the United States district commissioner in Montgomery on March 30. Pace two years ago was convicted of the charge and sentenced to five years' confinement. His appeal in this case is still pending.

District Attorney Reese filed with Judge Jones a petition for a writ of habeas corpus directing Pace to bring two negro boys into the United States court and show why they were restrained of their liberty. Judge Jones granted the writ.

**Negro Hanged.**  
Montgomery, Ala.—George Calhoun, negro, who killed his wife Christmas night of 1903, was hanged shortly after 11 o'clock this morning, the drop being sprung by Sheriff Waller. He was dead in nine minutes. His body was taken care of by his old mother, who will bury it.

**Burglary at Republic.**  
Birmingham, Ala.—J. D. Smith, of Republic, in the western part of the county, reported to the police that burglars entered his residence one day this week and took goods to the amount of about \$50. Among the goods taken was a ladies' gold watch valued at \$25, chain attached valued at \$2, Elks' charm set with elk's teeth, bearing the initials J. B. S. and the number 79, and \$15 in money.

**Greensboro, Ala.**—The citizens of Greensboro have put \$500 in the bank as a standing reward for the conviction of any man guilty of selling liquor in Hale county.

**Loses a Leg.**  
Ensley, Ala.—While attempting to jump between moving cars, Charles Vest, a former employee of the Birmingham Southern, was run over and his leg so badly mashed as to compel amputation.

**Flags To Be Returned.**  
Madison, Wis.—The joint resolution for the return of the battle flags to Alabama was adopted by the senate with but one opposing vote.

**War on Water Company.**  
Anniston, Ala.—It is probable that the validity of the ordinance forbidding the issuance of a permit to the Anniston Water Supply Company to install meters without the consent of the landlord will be tested. It was announced as the company's intention. There were several cases against the water company at Friday morning's session of the police court. Excavating the streets without a permit was the charge. It was shown that the company had a permit to excavate on Leighton avenue, issued during the year 1904. The excavations were made during last year on Leighton avenue. This permit was issued before the ordinance claimed to have been violated went into effect. It was further shown that the company had complied with the law by depositing \$50 to guarantee the replacing of the street in good condition.

The cases were dismissed, the city attorney stating that a conviction could not be had under the circumstances.

**Reports on Books in Three Counties.**  
Montgomery, Ala.—Assistant Examiner G. F. Sedberry has reported on the books of the officers of Sumter county, including the following: Judge of Probate P. B. Harmon, Tax Assessor E. M. Shaw, Sheriff C. M. McCain, former Clerk Circuit Court W. C. Jones, ex-Tax Collector P. B. Jarman, ex-Probate Judge W. R. DeLoach, Superintendent of Education R. B. Calloway. All accounts are correctly kept.

**Green County.**—Judge of Probate A. D. Smith, E. C. Meredith, sheriff; G. F. Hardy, tax assessor; F. D. Parham, tax collector; W. A. Gordon, ex-clerk; W. P. Archibald, superintendent of education. All are correct.

**Pickens County.**—Judge of Probate L. C. Hudgins, Tax Collector W. B. Semerville, Sheriff R. B. Burgh, Tax Assessor F. B. Carpenter, ex-Sheriff B. B. Salmon, ex-Clerk J. W. Cox, Superintendent of Education W. H. Story.

**Big Suit Filed.**  
Birmingham, Ala.—In the Chancery Court the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Company filed suit against Pauline McClure, Robert Rutledge, Irene Hudson and Thomas Barksdale. The complainants pray that the respondents be enjoined from prosecuting a suit which is now pending in the circuit court of Jefferson county against the complainant for the recovery of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter, Section 11, and the northwest quarter of Section 14, all in township 13, range 4, west. The suit, which was instituted by the respondents in the case in the Chancery Court, was filed in the Chancery Court September 13, 1904, and besides asking for the ejectment of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Company from the property, \$300,000 is asked for the detention of the plaintiffs from possession of the land.

Complainant alleges that unless a temporary injunction is granted that the respondents will prosecute their suit in the Circuit Court to the detriment of the complaining company. A temporary injunction is prayed for, to prohibit the prosecution of the case in the Circuit Court, and further that upon final hearing that the temporary injunction be made permanent and that title to the property in question be vested in the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Company.

**Was Runaway Marriage.**  
Gadsden, Ala.—There was a runaway marriage at the county court house at high noon Wednesday, when R. M. Mangun and Miss Mattie Dennis, of Big Wills Valley, escaped the vigilance of their parents and were married by Clerk Forney Hughes, who is making quite a reputation for marrying.

**A Station for Alabama.**  
Washington, D. C.—A fully equipped meteorological station to be erected by the government at a cost of \$10,000 will be allowed the city of Birmingham if the people through the mayor desire a greatly improved weather station.

**Auditor's Report.**  
Montgomery, Ala.—The report of the state auditor shows that the total receipts for the year ending September 30 last were \$3,201,339.71, and disbursements \$3,015,689.25, leaving a balance of \$1,181,660.19.

**Turpentine Industry.**  
Eufaula, Ala.—The turpentine industry is fast spreading over the county and every forest that is available is being utilized for this purpose. A large farm that will embrace nearly a hundred acres is just being opened at Blue Spring and promises to add much to the commercial welfare of that section.

**Ladies Thrown to Ground.**  
Huntsville, Ala.—News comes from Mayesville of a serious roadside accident, in which the Misses Jordan were painfully injured. The back wheels of the vehicle in which the ladies were riding came off and precipitated the occupants to the ground. Miss Mary Jordan's arm was broken and she was bruised on the face and body, while Miss Ella Jordan escaped with bruises and a dislocated shoulder.

**Seven Women Injured.**  
Wheeling, W. Va.—Two women will probably die and five others are severely injured as the result of a runaway accident at Bellaire. The most seriously injured are Mrs. Shane Bell, wife of the lieutenant of police, of Benwood, and Mrs. John Morris, of Benwood.

The two worst injured were in a carriage, driven by Jacob Duke, returning from a funeral. The horses became frightened at a train, and dashed into a carriage containing the other injured, driven by Robert Brown. The wheels caught and Duke's carriage was thrown over a thirty-foot embankment, the driver escaping injury.

**Mexican Minister Dead.**  
Washington, D. C.—Senor Don Manuel de Aspiroz, Mexico's first ambassador to the United States, died Friday afternoon at the Mexican embassy at 5:10 o'clock, surrounded by members of his family. Although a sick man since last fall, the ambassador's death was due to relapse caused by exposure on inauguration day. Against the advice of his physician, Mr. Aspiroz left his sick room on March 4th and attended the inaugural ceremonies at the capitol where he came near fainting.

**Strikes Are Ended.**  
Warsaw.—The strike in the coal and iron districts of Sosnowice and Dembrowka ended at last, the workmen have resumed their labors. The peasant agitation continues, but only as a sporadic movement, controlled by socialist agitators who have been unable thus far to impress the peasants with their view of the necessity of a strike.

M. Maximovitch, the new governor general, has withdrawn the patrols from the schools, being of the opinion that it is undignified to employ soldiers to watch school boys.

**Buyers Part of Capitol Square.**  
Montgomery, Ala.—The state has purchased the south half of Capitol square, the price paid being \$65,000. The property owners received \$63,616, and the other amount was for court costs and attorney's fees. The deeds have been filed. The capitol commission will soon meet, and it is expected improvements will be begun in a short time. The commission had \$150,000 at its disposal, but spent \$65,666 of it for the property. It is expected that a new building will be erected on the property just bought. It will be for the judicial offices.

**Wetumpka's Building Boom.**  
Wetumpka, Ala.—Mr. W. E. Thomas is having a pretty home built, Humphries & Thomas are having an ice cream parlor fitted up, the market is being improved by a new warehouse, the First National bank is having plans drawn and will soon remodel its building. The vacant lot on the street leading west from the court house has been purchased by the city and will be added to the street, thereby widening it and improving its appearance as well as affording greater fire protection.

**Commits Suicide in Jail Room.**  
Memphis, Tenn.—N. Weinburg, a merchant of Osceola, Ark., committed suicide in a local jail room by drinking carbolic acid. He was dead before the act of his swallowing the poison had been discovered. Weinburg left Osceola last Sunday presumably for St. Louis. A wife and six children survive him. A letter was found on the suicide stating that he was weary of battling with the world.

**No Russian Vessels Sunk.**  
Washington, D. C.—Mr. Griscom, the American minister at Tokio, has reported to the State Department upon the loss of merchant vessels in the Russo-Japanese war. He says that no merchant steamer flying the Russian flag nor any merchant steamer of non-Russian nationality carrying contraband of war has been sunk by the Japanese, whereas, the Russians sent to the bottom nine Japanese steamers and four small sailing ships.

The minister states that no vessel was captured by the Russians, who resorted to sinking the enemy's craft. The Japanese sunk 17 of their own ships for the purpose of blocking Port Arthur, and captured 23 Russian merchant vessels.

**Train Wrecked on Frisco.**  
Memphis, Tenn.—West-bound passenger train No. 204 on the St. Louis and San Francisco railroad collided with a car on the siding at Hickory Flat, near New Albany, Miss., and was wrecked. Several persons were badly bruised, but none seriously. The train was running at a high rate of speed when it dashed into the obstruction. The engine, tender and two coaches were derailed. Traffic will be delayed several hours.

**Children Burned in House.**  
Superior, Wis.—Two small children of E. Syring, a farmer living near Brule, set fire to the house in the absence of their parents and burned to death. They had hid under a bed from fear of a whipping for starting the fire.

**Jules Verne Dead.**  
Amiens, France.—Jules Verne, the author, died Friday.

## STILL WITH RUSSIANS

While the Retreat Has Temporarily Halted, the Japs Keep up With the Foe.

ATTACK MADE ON REAR GUARD.

Russian Army Blows Up All Railroad Bridges as They Go—Men Worn Out and Need Rest Badly.

Gunshu Pass.—The Russian retreat has reached the village of Sipinghai, seventy-four miles north of Tie Pass, where it has temporarily halted. The army has been practically without rest for months, and it is natural that fatigue should be evident. The Japanese are reported to be advancing on Sipinghai positions along the railroad and on both flanks.

A brisk action occurred near Kailiyan at five places, the Russian rear guard beating off two heavy attacks which lasted until midnight.

After blowing up railroad bridges north of Kailiyan at five places, the Russian retreat was continued March 19, 20 and 21, with only light rifle firing.

The Mukden branch of the Russo-Chinese bank removed all its moneys except \$150,000.

**Russians Occupy Sipinghai.**

St. Petersburg.—The Russian rear guard is occupying a line of fairly strong natural positions thirty-four miles south of Gunshu Pass, the center being the railroad village of Sipinghai and the flanks covering the roads on either side, which apparently it is the intention to defend long enough to force the Japanese to show their hands.

The Russians may, however, have been outflanked, and have no intention of making a serious stand, especially as all the correspondents continue to report rumors of wide turning operations on both flanks, indicating a probable basis in fact. The correspondents believe a resumption of hostilities on a grand scale and an important battle are improbable inside of three months.

**People to Take Part.**

St. Petersburg.—Interior Minister Boulignan's promise to the Moscow douma representatives, headed by Prince Galitzin, that representatives of the people will be allowed to participate in the deliberations of the commission which is to frame the new governmental assembly contemplated by the Imperial rescript of March 3d, will be received with satisfaction by moderate liberals, and taken in connection with the announced concessions to Finland and Poland, indicates the government's intention to give heed to moderate demands. It is noticeable that M. Boulignan has left the manner of the selection of the popular representatives on the commission in the air, giving the government the opportunity to yield the point of election, instead of selection if the pressure should be too strong.

**Rural Routes Established.**

Washington, D. C.—Rural routes ordered established May 1: Center Grove, Morgan county, route 1, population 339, houses 97; Covin, Fayette county, route 1, population 340, houses 81; Greenville, Butler county, routes 1 and 2, population 1,329, houses 316. Hardy R. Speegle has been appointed regular, and Clay D. Speegle, substitute rural carrier, route 2, at Hartsville.

**Saloonkeepers Bankrupt.**  
Huntsville, Ala.—S. P. Sullivan and B. F. Drake, saloonkeepers in the Debtors, filed voluntary petitions in bankruptcy in the United States court here. Neither of the petitioners has any assets and the liabilities of Drake amount to \$3,034; those of Sullivan being \$2,027.

**Time Extended for Syrians.**

Washington, D. C.—Minister Powell has cabled the state department from Port au Prince that the Haytian government by decree has extended from April 1 to May 15 the time allowed for Syrians holding forged naturalization American citizenship papers to withdraw from Hayti.

**Two Men Killed in Wreck.**

Jellico Junction, Tenn.—A freight train southbound on the Atlanta, Knoxville and Northern was wrecked near here. The engineer and fireman were caught beneath the engine and roasted to death.

**Warships to Leave Cuba.**

Havana.—The celebration of the visit of American warships to Havana ended with a big American concert on the sea front and a carnival ball at the Cuban Athenaeum. The torpedo boat destroyer MacDonough has arrived here in advance of Rear Admiral Barker's North Atlantic fleet. The latter will appear in front of Havana, being rejoined by the visiting squadron, will proceed to Pensacola.

**Alabamian Fights Over a Girl.**

Columbus, Ga.—With a girl standing between them begging them not to fight, Jim Harris, armed with a pistol, and Jim Tom Hudson, with a drawn brick, advanced upon each other in front of the Muscogee boarding house on Broad street. Both are young white men.

Harris had crossed the Chattahoochee river from Alabama in a batteau to see the girl, Lizzie Worthy, a factory operative, and anticipating trouble armed himself. A quarrel arose about the girl, it is said, and Harris fired at Hudson over the girl's shoulder, the bullet missing him, however. Harris then ran to the river bank, and when the police arrived had paddled back to the Alabama shore.

**No Understanding Reached.**

Altoona, Pa.—Without coming to an understanding on the wage scale, the joint scale committee of the coal operators and miners adjourned to meet here again Wednesday next.

Before adjourning the joint committee appointed Coal Operator James Kerr and National Secretary W. B. Wilson, of the miners' organization, to appear before the legislative committee at Harrisburg next Monday to protest against the proposed bill to tax coal mined in Pennsylvania three cents a ton.

Until the face of the pending bill is known it would be difficult, if not impossible, to agree on a wage scale for the miners. The tax proposed would mean the collection annually of \$870,000 from the coal business of the state and neither operators nor miners are willing to assume that additional tax burden.

**Guatemalan Revolution.**

Mexico City.—A Mexican coasting vessel recently arrived at Muege, lower California, carrying several empty cases that has been filled with Mauser rifles. The captain declared that he had passed more than 100 similar cases floating on the water and that those on board had been picked up. It is believed that the rifles which the cases contained were furnished for the forces that are now said to be planning an invasion of Guatemala.

It is asserted that another war in Guatemala is probable. Guatemalan rebels, in the guise of laborers, it is said, are congregating at various points along the Guatemalan frontiers. The government of Salvador is reported in readiness to aid the rebels as soon as a revolution is launched.

**350 Mile Railroad.**

Knoxville, Tenn.—W. J. Oliver, a Knoxville railroad contractor, has been awarded the contract to build the New Orleans Great Northern road, running north from New Orleans along the Mississippi river a distance of 350 miles.

He is to begin work at once at Silt dell and the road is to be completed within one year. Oliver refuses to say who is behind the enterprise or what town is to be the northern terminus. His only comment is that it is a bona fide proposition.

A trestle ten miles long will be a feature of the road. This trestle will cross Lake Ponchartrain. Mr. Oliver claims he has had the details for two months, but has not been allowed to mention it by the capitalists back of the enterprise until their plans were fully matured.

**Time Was Extended.**

Washington.—Minister Powell has cabled the State Department from Port au Prince that the Haytian government by decree has extended from April 1 to May 15 the time allowed for Syrians holding forged naturalization American citizenship papers to withdraw from Hayti.

**Twenty New Stars Found.**

Santiago, Chile.—The astronomical expedition sent out by D. O. Mills, of New York, is rapidly accomplishing its object. Twenty double stars have been discovered.

The Mills expedition was sent from New York observatory with the sole object of searching for new stars.

**Will Use Oil.**

Topeka, Kas.—The battleship Kansas will be christened by breaking a bottle of Kansas crude oil over its prow in the place of a bottle of champagne as is the usual custom. This is the idea of Governor Hoch as expressed by him.

The statement was made in a conversation with A. D. Eddy, general counsel for the Standard Oil Company.

**Rural Routes for Alabama.**

Washington, D. C.—Rural free delivery route No. 1 will be established May 1 at McKenzie, Butler county, serving 403 people and 96 houses.

**Heroine is Dead.**

Langton, Ont.—Abigail Becker famed in song and story throughout Canada, is dead at her home at Walsingham Center.

Unaided she saved the crew of the schooner Conductor, wrecked at Long Point on Lake Erie in November, 1853. For her bravery the government gave her a farm; Buffalo ship owners \$1,000 and the New York Life Saving Association a gold medal.

**QUEER SOLOMON OAKS.**

A queer old fellow is Solomon Oaks; He belongs to the good-natured order of folks; He sings and he whistles about the work. That nobody ever has known him to shirk, And he makes you think, with his blithe good cheer, Of the merry blackbirds when spring is here.

If they come to him with a doleful tale Of a neighbor's faults, they always find To rouse attention to what they tell. At such a time he can't hear very well; But if they praise up a neighbor—then He can hear as well as the best of men.

He always indorses the good things said By his friends of the living as well as the dead. If he's asked what he thinks of a man gone wrong, He'll pause, perhaps, in his cheerful song, And say: "I'm sorry, but there must be Some good to his credit, it seems to me."

"I haven't time to keep track," say he, "Of the sad things and bad things that I might see. If I was to look for them; so I try To shut my eyes as I pass them by. And see only good things along the way— And I find a lot of them every day."

"By always having something to do I keep out of trouble and mischief, too. I stick to my business, as best I can, And keep on good terms with my fellow-man. And the better I treat him, it seems to me, The better my fellow-man treats me."

A queer old fellow, this Solomon Oaks, With his merry laugh and his pleasant jokes, And his faith in his fellows, said or sung, He's a host of friends among old and young. He makes them and keeps them by smile and song, And the word that helps us when things go wrong.

His life holds a lesson 't were well to learn: Shut your eyes to the bad; all the good discern.

Keep busy; be cheerful; and aim to make This old world better for love's sweet sake. Queer? Well it may be, but this I say: More of such cheerfulness we need to-day.

—New York Tribune.

**FLASHES OF FUN**

Mrs. Knicker—"Does your cook know her place?" Mrs. Bocker—"That's just the trouble; she knows any number of them."—Harper's Bazar.

Skinner—"At the cry of distress my hand goes instinctively to my pocket." Mildmay—"I see; you want to make sure your pocketbook is safe."

"Isn't the doctor's wife beautiful? She has a neck like that of a swan." "Quite so. And the doctor has a bill like that of a pelican."—Judge.

Verdant shores and waters calm, Sunlit days and starry night, Silent, swaying groves of palm, Mosquito bites.

"Have you had any nice, new dishes since you got that expensive cook?" "Yes, ten or a dozen. She smashes just as many as the old one did."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Church—"I hate to see a man bowing and scraping, don't you?" Gotham—"Well, no; not if he's doing it when cleaning the ice from his sidewalk."—Yonkers Statesman.

"Now, sir," said Willie's father, "don't be a little jackass." "I can't help being little, pa," replied the bright boy, "an' it ain't my fault that I'm your son."—Philadelphia Press.

The man who doesn't prosper Is seldom wholly just— And his own faults he sometimes tries To blame upon a trust.

—Washington Star. "If that man Lawson wants to depress the market there's a mighty fine way for him to make himself popular." "How is that?" "Let him jump on the present price of eggs."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Mother—"How dare you tell me you washed your face? Why, it's just as dirty as ever." Tommy—"Well, I washed it, but maybe it didn't take. You know my vaccination didn't take the first time."—Philadelphia Press.

Teacher—"Tommy, something has got to be done about your behavior. I think to-day after school I shall call and see your father." Tommy—"It'll cost you two dollars if you do. Pop's a doctor; office hours, 5 to 7."—Punch.

**Caught With the Goods.**  
In a Fifth avenue stage, a woman about to get out missed her purse. She knew she had it after she entered the stage, as she had taken it out when she paid her fare. The stage was a woman passenger, quickly taking in the situation, jumped to the door and called to the policeman stationed there.

To the astonishment of the other passengers, when the policeman had mounted the stage, he at once singled out a handsomely dressed young widow to whom he said:

"So you are it again, Sue?" Then he pulled away the muff she was carrying and disclosed a pair of wax hands and arms which had been gracefully bestowed in the muff, while with her own, which were concealed beneath her cloak, she had secured the missing purse.—New York Sun.

**New Fashion in Divorce.**  
Ordinary divorce is not sufficiently sensational for a while divorced couple followed the fashion of immediate return into new matrimonial partnerships, but the latest divorce fad is for the man and woman to "marry over again." This is a novelty which will doubtless find imitators among the newly rich. In the last case of this kind the woman made proper terms with her husband in requiring him to pay \$83,000 to the man who in east side parlance would be called her "gentleman friend." This man and his wife were divorced, and he preferred marrying another previously-murdered woman rather than the one well-already owed him \$83,000.—New York World.



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## The Farmers Union.

The Advocate desires to commend the Farmers Union to the working men of Shelby county; the desires and purposes are good, and every citizen of the county should give it his hearty support. The time has come when the farmers must organize for self preservation, and unless they do so they will be the hewers of wood and the drawer of water, for those whose aim is to prey upon those who live by the sweat of the brow. The farmers have been for years considered the legitimate prey of all the other classes. This should not be so; the producers of wealth should share in the profits arising from their labors, but they can only get it by organization. There is no question but what cotton would be today selling at less than six cents if it were not for the fact that the farmers are organizing and holding their cotton. The farmers should be the most independent men in the world. They make the bread and cotton to feed and clothe the nations of this earth, and should fix the price, but heretofore being in an unorganized state, the other fellow fixed the price of all that the farmer bought and sold. We are glad to see a change taking place, and the Advocate hopes the day is not far distant when the Farmers Union will be organized throughout the whole county.

The appropriations made by Congress for the year July 1, 1905, to July 1, 1906, amount to \$818,000,000. As the population of the United States is officially estimated to be 82,794,900 the appropriations amount to nearly ten dollars to each man, woman and child. So near ten dollars that it may be figured at that. To ascertain any county's share of the national taxes necessary to meet the expenditures of the government, multiply the population of the county by ten and the result will be in dollars. For example, the county that has 20,000 population must pay two hundred thousand dollars. This is a stupendous tax to be paid every year, but the people don't complain because it is collected indirectly. Such a tax levied directly would probably cause a revolution.—Missouri World.

The people on the Pacific coast who are so frightened about Japanese immigration, should possess their souls in peace. That "westward the course of empire takes its way" and immigration also has been a law for ten thousand years. The great movements of population have always been toward the west ever since history began to be written. Now that the Japanese have full sway in that undeveloped region of Corea, there is not much danger that they will prefer to cross 5,000 miles of sea to come eastward.—The Independent.

The people can whip monopoly if they will get together. It will be just as easy as rolling off a log. But they can do nothing in the old parties, for the reason that the monopolists and their agents are in the old parties and are right up at the top.—The World.

The Farmers Educational and Co-Operative Union of Shelby County will meet at the court house in Columbiana Saturday, April 1. Every farmer in the county is invited to attend this meeting.

It seems that the March wind is getting here before the month is gone, but look out for April.

Next Monday will bring quite a number of people to town to attend court and also to see the show.

The public roads all over the county are getting in fine shape since the rains.

Capt. R. P. Hobson will likely be a candidate for governor in 1906.

## Farmers Union of America.

If you would know more of this new non-political, non partisan organization of farmers, don't fail to read the following carefully and reflectively, then pass it to the next man you meet:

### DECLARATION OF PURPOSES.

1. To discourage as much as possible, (through organized effort) the present mortgage and credit system.
2. To assist our members, (through organized effort) in buying and selling.
3. To labor for the education of the agricultural classes in crop diversification and scientific agriculture.
4. To constantly strive to secure entire harmony and good will among all mankind and brotherly love among ourselves.
5. To form a more adequate union with those in authority for a strict and impartial enforcement of law, that crime, vice and immorality may be suppressed.
6. It would garner the tears of the distressed, the blood of martyrs, the laugh of innocent childhood and the virtue of a happy home as the brightest jewels known.
7. This is in no degree a political party, and shall forever obtain from even so much as a discussion of partyism. Yet we do not feel that it is right to place shackles upon the mind nor a padlock upon the lips of any man who may wish to discuss, for educational purpose, the science of government, because upon this rock must rest all structures for either mental, moral, social or financial development.

Our motto is, "In things essential, unity; in things nonessential, free diversity, and in all things charity."

This Co-Operative Union is a business organization, founded upon business principles for business purposes, and as business, necessarily secret, and as secret, non-political. The tombstones of fifty political parties that have been born into politics since this nation was established and have died and been forgotten should serve as danger signals to all labor organizations. These parties struggled through short, fitful, feverish lives of double utility wasted energy, representing faithful struggle and comparatively fruitless self-sacrifice. Our constitution and ritualistic work mark you, distinctly forbid partisan discussions within the sacred precincts of the Union. We are organizing farmers—

1. Because "in unity there is strength."

2. Because they are the only class of people to-day in American society that are not organized, and organization must be met with organization.

3. Because unorganized we are powerless to cope with the parasitic classes who prey upon productive industry, while united we will be invincible.

4. Because no man is fit to be a father who is unwilling to help make the world a better place for his children to live in, and even the poorest and humblest can do his share toward promoting the common interest of the common people through a common brotherhood united in a common cause.

5. Because the depressed and debt ridden condition of the tillers and toilers is caused neither by laziness, imprudence nor failure of crops, and can only be relieved by concerted effort.

6. Because while three billions of bushels of grain, and 9 to 12 million bales of cotton are produced every year and two billion dollars worth of cattle sold annually, and the country's aggregate wealth, and the facilities for its production have been enormously increased, still the vast army of the homeless is increasing.

7. Because within the short space of three years, according to a recent estimate in Bryan's Commoner, 82 great trusts have been formed, aggregating over 4 billion dollars, the last one of which amounts to more than 10 million dollars, and those huge combines seek to control almost every article made for man's use and happiness.

Saturday is the first day of April, and if you don't look out you will get fooled—by that bill you owe.

Generally every three-cornered fight ends in two of them falling on the one.

## The Say of Reform Editors.

The Reform Editor is a political waif on the tempestuous sea of strife.

It would have been money in his pocket if he had never been born.

He has a devil part of the time, and a devil of a time all the time.

The smallest thing about him is his pocketbook and the largest thing his delinquent list.

He says more kind things of other people and gets more "cussing" than any man living.

When he first takes the job of reforming the world he thinks it can be finished in six months or a year.

Then he puts it off another year and borrows some money of his father-in-law.

Then he enlists for three years or more during the war and borrows some more money.

At this stage of the game he takes a new grip on the situation and starts in to finish up the job in the next campaign.

But a cog slips and the dagdummed thing slides merrily down the broad road to destruction.

The editor tears his hair and says some cuss words.

The devil grins and throws the shooting stick at the office cat.

Every opposition paper trots out its roster, and the editor waits for the world to come to an end or the moon to turn to blood.

At this point in the proceedings it is time to borrow some more money.

He would quit, business but he can't.

When a man undertakes to reform the world he is never out of a job.

He always sees something that needs his attention.

But the Reform Editor is made of the right kind of metal.

He is always out of money, but seldom out of heart.

He used to dream of the time when he could bathe his wearied feet in the rippling waters of success.

When every man would do unto his brother as he would have his brother to do unto him.

When in Utopia's green fields and by the side of its babbling brooks he could end his days.

But he is over that now.

All he can do is to attract some attention and set the people thinking.

Here's to the reform editor.

He may have chosen a rough and tempestuous road, but the lightning strokes of his gifted pen and thunder tones of his voice will purify the moral and political atmosphere.—Morgan's Buzz Saw.

## JURY VENIRE.

List of Petit Jurors Drawn To Serve at the Spring Term Circuit Court, 1905.

PETIT JURORS FIRST WEEK.  
W. T. Johnson, J. B. Oldham, J. M. Smith, O. H. Green, G. M. Harman, T. J. Atkinson, C. T. Cox, R. E. Johnson, A. E. Bushy, J. B. Ray, G. W. Seale, J. W. Jones, O. V. Farr, J. M. Byers, James Colburn, M. E. Roy, S. F. Colley, J. W. Lovelady, J. E. Bunn, W. E. Duckett, H. D. Adams, J. M. Cook, G. W. Carter, J. L. Walker, J. W. Horton, J. L. Gould, Thomas C. Minor, J. C. Walker, H. B. Partridge, J. M. Coshatt.

PETIT JURORS SECOND WEEK.  
A. A. Ray, A. J. Brasher, P. J. Sanders, J. E. Isbell, C. D. Davis, H. W. Wells, J. B. Weldon, J. R. Baker, Isaac Perryman, W. E. Finley, W. E. Price, G. L. Merrell, J. L. Lee, W. P. Gilbert, W. J. Crawford, J. A. Howard, Jas. W. Jones, R. C. Naisb, H. Branch, J. C. Farley, J. H. Weldon, W. R. Luquiere, O. E. Mitchell, S. A. Latham, L. V. Carden, T. W. White, J. E. Davis, J. S. Evans, W. G. Howell, S. L. Phillips.

PETIT JURORS THIRD WEEK.  
B. H. Holcomb, J. C. Hinton, A. Kitcher, A. T. Holcombe, W. A. Thompson, E. C. Bessman, T. E. Lovelady, J. J. Reams, F. M. Blake, S. J. Spearman, W. A. Wheat, J. W. Dial, Z. C. Crowson, Walter J. Crim, H. A. Weldon, Henry Johnson, W. I. Brasher, B. F. Robertson, J. B. Davis, W. O. Wilder, Geo. W. Glaze, G. O. Thomas, John Hughes, W. A. Wyatt, A. A. Brasher, C. C. Martin, J. B. Horton, J. F. Armstrong, T. W. Weaver, S. L. Walker.

PETIT JURORS FOURTH WEEK.  
Joe Curtis, A. N. Waldrop, Joseph Carroll, Albert S. Davis, William Walton, F. E. Merrell, T. J. Cross, R. L. Killough, W. C. Underwood, Thomas R. Lovett, C. E. Hale, T. J. Davis, Jesse Smith, Vernon Hobbs, R. H. Vandiver, H. L. Gould, H. M. Merrell, J. L. Poust, J. J. Jackson, H. E. Horton, J. G. Strickland, William O. Davis, W. R. Weaver, Will Millinder, G. P. Archer, J. M. Green, J. S. Jones, Jr., T. W. Kimble, Jas. Seale, J. B. German.

FOR AN IMPAIRED APPETITE.  
Loss of appetite always results from faulty digestion. It is a few doses of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They will invigorate the stomach, strengthen the digestion and give you an appetite like a wolf. These Tablets also act as a gentle laxative. For sale by Williams Brothers.

A woman is never too fat to stop wondering how little some other women can care how they look.

## FOR SALE.

One Young Milch Cow with young calf. Apply to J. T. Finley, Columbiana, Ala.

## Weldon.

Bad Ray, of Wilsonton, was in our little town on business Saturday.

J. O. Moore and W. J. Sewell are in Birmingham on business.

Rev. A. C. Messer preached a very interesting sermon to an attentive congregation at Union Sunday.

Master Henry Hughes was the escort of Miss Ellen Bradberry Sunday from Union.

Bennie Blankenship, of Harpersville, spent Saturday night and Sunday here with Mrs. L. Sharbutt.

Tom Howell, of Jackson's mill, has accepted a position on the pole road, and he and his mother have moved to Sewell's Logging.

Sam McDonald was the happy guest of Miss Maude Walton Sunday.

A. J. Tucker and family moved to our town Monday. Mr. Tucker also has a position on the pole road.

Roy Simmons and Lofton Roper, of Fournille, were up Sunday to see the fair case as usual.

R. S. Lewis, President of the Allen Lumber Co., was down in the piney woods last week.

Lee Hughes told us that he was the escort of Miss Mollie Messer from Union Sunday. Hurrah for Lee! I glory in his spunk.

F. M. Walton and son, Andrew, and Oscar Walton are visiting relatives and friends in Coosa county.

Several of our young people attended divine worship at Lesters Chapel Sunday afternoon.

Joe Roper and Misses Julia Walton and Emma Thrasher spent Sunday at Wilsonton with friends.

J. W. Blackerby and wife, of Columbiana, spent Saturday here with D. W. Sharbutt's family.

## WILD BILL.

If it is a bilious attack take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and a quick cure is certain. For sale by Williams Brothers.

Generally a man gets elected to office not because the people think so well of him, but so ill of the fellow who ran against him.

## CHAMPION LINIMENT FOR RHEUMATISM.

Chas. Drake, a mail carrier at Chapinville, Conn., says: "Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the champion of all liniments. The past year I was troubled a great deal with rheumatism in my shoulder. After trying several cures, the storekeeper here recommended this remedy and it completely cured me." There is no use of any one suffering from that painful ailment when this liniment can be obtained for a small sum. One application gives prompt relief and its continued use for a short time will produce a permanent cure. For sale by Williams Bros.

## Notice of Administrator's Sale.

Under and by virtue of an order and decree of the Honorable A. P. Longshore, Judge of Probate for Shelby county, I will sell at public auction in front of the Court House door of Shelby County, Alabama, on the 24th day of April, 1905, between the legal hours of sale, the following described real estate, belonging to the estate of Anderson Hale, deceased, to-wit:

Commencing at the northwest corner of A. T. Thomas' land, thence west along the line of James Carlton's land 35 yards, thence north along the line of James Carlton's land 35 yards, thence west to the line of Pomp Trenholm's land, thence south along the line of Pomp Trenholm's land and John Trenholm's and Minnie Gist's land to the northwest corner of A. T. Thomas' land and joining corners with Minnie Gist and James Cliff's land, thence east along the line of A. T. Thomas and Lewis Gardner's land to the southeast corner of William Gates' land, thence north along the line of William Gates and A. T. Thomas' land to the point of commencing, so as to include 20 acres more or less; also 10 acres immediately north of the A. T. Thomas land, described as follows: Commencing at the northeast corner of A. T. Thomas' land and running north 110 yards, thence west 430 yards, thence south 110 yards, thence east along A. T. Thomas' land to beginning point.

Terms of sale—Cash.

A. T. THOMAS, Administrator.

## Brown Lion.

This is one of Tennessee's Best Production. He is one of the best Jacks that ever graced our South. He is fifteen hands high, with unusual large bone and ear, and has proven himself an extra sure fold getter and fine breeder. He is quick, active, and full of life and vigor and shows a modicum of Tennessee Colt. If you are interested in raising mules don't fail to see him. Will stand this Spring Season for \$8.00, and insure colt at Tom Walton's near Weldon, Ala.

JOHN S. EVANS, Proprietor, TOM WALTON, Manager.

## Colds

It should be borne in mind that every cold weakens the lungs, lowers the vitality and prepares the system for the more serious diseases, among which are the two greatest destroyers of human life, pneumonia and consumption.

## Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

has won its great popularity by its prompt cures of this most common ailment. It acts expectorant, relieves the lungs and opens the secretions, effecting a speedy and permanent cure. It counteracts any tendency toward pneumonia.

Price 25c, Large Size 50c.

## County Correspondents.

### Maylene.

Health of community good.

Editor, Norris and James Harrison, of Columbiana, were in Maylene one day last week.

Oscar Gray, of Straven, Ala., has moved to our town.

The Dogwood Coal Co., has resumed work at their mines near this place and are going to put in a spur track out to them.

Rev. C. R. Miller, of Dogwood, passed through our town one day last week.

Mrs. S. L. Walker, of Cedar Grove, visited Mrs. M. L. Wooten one day last week.

Miss Alice Nelson, of Saginaw, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. M. Harper, of this place.

The Misses Butler, of Dolomite, are visiting Mrs. J. M. Shoemaker.

### Campbranch.

Health good.

Rev. May filled his regular appointment here Saturday and Sunday.

Charlie Dover and Bruce Horton, of Peavine, were in our community Sunday much to the delight of some of the girls.

Miss Daisy Valentine, of Evans Mill, was the guest of Miss Minnie Ozley Saturday and Sunday.

Quite a number of the Ebenezer boys attended services here Sunday.

Asa Jones and Will Haywood were the guests of Misses Tillie and Eula Sweat Sunday night as usual.

Wesley and Sidney Lynch, of Lynch, attended services here Sunday.

### A. A. W. D.

### Waxahatchie.

Health of community very good. W. H. Farr is all smiles. It's a boy.

J. P. Dykes and family spent Sunday at G. L. Armstrong's.

Miss Della Armstrong visited Miss Minnie Murphy Friday evening.

J. F. Atchison and wife gave G. L. Armstrong's family a short visit Sunday afternoon.

Misses Addie Atchison and Donnie Howell spent Friday with Misses Minnie and Pearl Murphy.

We are glad to state that Mrs. Morrow is improving.

Charlie Jones and family spent Sunday with O. L. Riley and family.

### LITTLE SUSIE.

### New Bethesda.

Health of community very good. Rev. Rawles preached an interesting sermon here Saturday night.

Sam Roper, of Yellow Leaf, was in the community Sunday.

Mrs. Lizzie Dees, of Montgomery, spent Saturday night with K. H. Davis and family.

Walter E. Lester, of Yellow Leaf, passed through our community en route to Columbiana Saturday.

Miss Carry Joiner spent Saturday night with Mrs. Addie Howell.

I. J. Davis and wife spent Sunday with their father, Mr. James Davis.

### EXTRA GIRL.

### Kingdom.

Health of community good. The Sunday school at this place Sunday was a success.

The singing at Mr. Atkinson's was highly enjoyed by all present.

Hello Mr. E. T. I! How were those girls traveling when you left them?

Mit Ingram was the escort of Miss Willie Louis Sunday afternoon.

Elbert Templin was the happy escort of Miss Mabel Arnett Sunday afternoon.

### MOCKING BIRD.

A SAFE COUGH MEDICINE FOR CHILDREN.

In buying a cough medicine for children never be afraid to buy Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. There is no danger from it and relief is always sure to follow. It is especially valuable for colds, croup and whooping cough. For sale by Williams Bros.

## A GREAT IMPROVEMENT.

The Dixie Liver Regulator does not gripe nor sicken and cures Constipation, Heartburn, Vertigo,

Dyspepsia, Kidney Troubles and Lazy Liver. For sale by all Dealers and by SHELBY DRUG CO., Calera, Alabama.

## GROCERIES!

Staple and Fancy!

For all kinds of Family Groceries,

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T. F. ATKINSON,

THE GROCER.

D. M. Ferry's Garden Seeds of all Varieties.

Irish Potatoes for planting—Triumph, Early Rose and Peerless.

FEED STUFFS A SPECIALTY.

Complete Line of Cutlery.

SEED OATS—Burt and Rust Proof.

I have moved my stock into the Armstrong building adjoining Mercantile Company's store, where I have added to my stock farm supplies, such as—

HOES, PLOWS, HORSE SHOES, NAILS, ETC. Highest Market Price Paid for Dry Hides, Chickens, Eggs and all Country Produce.

Goods Delivered to City Patrons Free. Call and get my prices before purchasing.

T. F. Atkinson, COLUMBIANA, ALA.

## PAPOOSE POPCORN

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A subscriber to the Southern Agriculturist secured the original seed from an old Indian in Northwest Texas. After experimenting with it seven years he wrote that paper: "With good ground and care it will make from 50 to 100 bushels to the acre, and planted thick and cut stalk and all it will make more feed and better feed than anything I ever saw. The old Indian said poultry fed on it would never have the cholera. I have not lost a fowl with cholera since I have been raising it. It also pops beautifully." This article brought hundreds of requests for seed, and now only a few bushels are left. Send for a 2 month trial subscription to Southern Agriculturist, 39 C. P. Bldg., Nashville, Tenn., and you will get 100 seed by return mail, also details of \$50 prize seed-growing contest.

## EGGS—FOR SALE!

15 for 50 cents, Thorough Bred and Plymouthrock.

Address, R. C. NASH, Saginaw, Ala.

## J. L. PETERS,

Attorney-at-law and Solicitor in Chancery. COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA.

## SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

Condensed Schedule in Effect November 6, 1904.

7.00pm	5.53am	lv. Mobile. . .	10.55pm	10.00am
1.10am	5.00pm	lv. Selma. . .	4.85pm	2.00am
5.30pm	10.05pm	ar Birmingham. . .	6.20am	6.30pm
9.40am		ar Chattanooga. . .		6.30pm
1.10pm		ar Knoxville. . .		2.15pm
5.40pm		ar Bristol. . .		4.00am
9.15pm		ar Asheville. . .		1.15pm
1.50am		ar Lynchburg. . .		2.00pm
6.52am		ar Washington. . .		10.00pm
12.43pm		ar N York. . .		3.25pm

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\$34.50 Birmingham to California.

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Other Pacific Coast Points very low.

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F. M. GRIFFITH, P. P. A.,  
Birmingham, Ala.

J. N. CORNATZAR, A. G. P. A.,  
Memphis, Tenn.

Notice of Application to Sell Land.  
The State of Alabama, Shelby Co.  
Probate Court, Special Term, February 18th, 1905.

In the matter of the application of W. T. Francis for sale of certain lands for partition and division.

The said W. T. Francis, having this day filed in said Court his petition in writing, alleging that he and R. W. Francis, T. L. Francis, Anna Crowell, and children of Magie Webster, to-wit: Rosa Webster, Richard Webster, Will Webster, Charlie Webster and John Webster are the joint owners of certain real estate, described in said petition, and that said property can not be equitably divided or partitioned without a sale thereof. The 3rd day of April, 1905, was appointed a day for the hearing of the same, and in as much as it appears that one of the parties represented as being interested in said property, live without the State, it is therefore ordered that notice of said petition and of the time

and place set for hearing, the same be given by publication, to be continued weekly for three successive weeks in the Peoples Advocate, a newspaper published in this county.

A. P. LONGSHORE,  
Judge of Probate.

A CHICAGO ALDERMAN OWES HIS ELECTION TO CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY.

"I can heartily and conscientiously recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for affections of the throat and lungs," says Hon. John Shenick, 220 So. Peoria St., Chicago. "Two years ago during a political campaign, I caught cold after being overworked, which irritated my throat and I was barely compelled to stop, as I could not speak aloud. In my extremity a friend advised me to use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I took two doses that afternoon and could not believe my senses when I found the next morning the inflammation had largely subsided. I took several doses that day, kept right on talking through the campaign, and I thank this medicine that I won my seat in the Council. This remedy is for sale by Williams Brothers."

## THE PEOPLE'S ADVOCATE

Social and Local News.

Circuit court next Monday.

Sparks' Shows will be here Monday.

Walter E. Lester, of beat 8, was in town Monday.

T. B. Holcombe, of beat 8, was in town Monday.

John C. Williams, of Shelby, was in town Saturday.

Clark Sturdivant, of Shelby, was in the city Sunday.

J. F. Hill, of beat 9, was in town a short while Monday.

J. T. Porter, of Blocton, was in town Friday and Saturday.

Prof. J. W. Stöhe, of Calvary, was a visitor in town Monday.

Treasurer W. E. Harrison was in Birmingham last Thursday.

Clarence Smith was down from Wilsonville Sunday afternoon.

Joe Page and Rullie Carter spent a few hours in Shelby Sunday.

E. W. Burt spent a few days last week at Collinsville on business.

Commissioners court will meet next Monday in regular session.

Will Milner, of Birmingham, is in town this week horse swapping.

Sam Wallace, of Selma, visited relatives here a few days last week.

A. J. Hendrick and Mr. Shirley, of Coalville, were in town Monday.

A. J. Lee, of Mobile, spent Saturday and Sunday in the city with friends.

H. E. Whitaker, of the Sentinel, spent Friday in Birmingham on business.

R. C. Naish, of Saginaw, was in the city Monday a short while on business.

Mrs. J. W. Johnston returned Tuesday from a visit to relatives at Wylam.

R. T. Johnson, of Shelby Springs, was in town Saturday a short while.

J. H. Robertson spent a few days last week on his farm near Wilsonville.

Shelly Glazener, of near Creswell, visited relatives here Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. Joseph Duglinson will preach at the Presbyterian church next Sunday.

Mrs. J. H. Robertson returned Thursday from a visit to relatives at Pratt City.

D. G. Richardson, of Birmingham, visited relatives and friends here Saturday.

E. S. Lyman, Esq., of Montevallo, was among the visitors in the city Monday.

Frank Robertson, of near Wilsonville, visited relatives here Saturday and Sunday.

Oose and George Bird have been sick a few days with the mumps, but are improving.

Dr. J. B. Boyer and E. W. Holland, of Wilsonville, were in town Monday on business.

Tom Johnson, Esq., of Helena, was in the city last Friday on professional business.

Mrs. Kate Wallace, of Klein, visited her daughter Mrs. W. A. Parker, here last week.

Jno. B. Farrell, who is attending business college in Birmingham, was in the city Monday.

Circuit Clerk J. R. Dyke and wife spent Saturday and Sunday at Bridgeton with friends.

Sheriff Cox has had the court house cleaned up very nicely and new carpet put on the floor.

Miss Myrtle Chapman, who has been visiting relatives in the city, returned to her home in Montevallo Monday.

Mrs. L. M. Dyke, who has been visiting relatives and friends in the city, returned to her home in Attalla last Thursday.

From the plainest sewing to the handsomest dresses can be had by calling on Mrs. J. W. Peere, at residence on Depot street.

Mrs. T. Wood, who has been in an infirmary in Birmingham for several weeks, returned home last Thursday much improved.

Every one should come to town Monday, April 3rd, and see the famous John H. Sparks' Old Reliable Virginia Shows which will give exhibitions both after-noon and night.

Miss Nellie O'Conner, of New Orleans, is visiting Mrs. Mary Parker.

J. B. Adams and George Wright, of Longview, were in the city Tuesday.

Mrs. Paralee Nelson returned Tuesday from a visit to relatives in New Orleans.

When in Columbiana leave your team at Friedberger Bros. Stable, H. M. Norris Manager.

Mrs. J. E. Hendrick, of Montevallo, spent Monday and Tuesday in the city with relatives.

Rev. S. R. Lester, of Elyton, visited relatives and friends in the city Monday and Tuesday.

S. F. Leonard, formerly of Birmingham, but now of Columbus, Ga., was in the city last Friday.

Shelby County Teachers Institute will be held in this city Friday and Saturday of this week.

Your Team will receive the Best Attention and Full Feeds at Friedberger Bros. Stable, H. M. Norris Manager.

Mrs. Gordon DuBose, after spending a few days here with relatives, returned to her home at Ensley Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Leftkovich, Miss Grace Walker and J. T. Leeper spent Sunday at Shelby Springs with friends.

While attending court call in and settle up your subscription. We need the money. It takes money to run a paper.

Mrs. J. P. Christian and Miss Rossie Christian returned Monday from Cincinnati, Ohio, where they have been for several weeks.

We have an interesting article from Fourmile that we had to leave out this week for want of space, but will publish next week.

The entertainment given by the Chicago Glee Club at the College Hall Wednesday night of last week was highly enjoyed by all who attended.

We received a communication this week from some where, but we don't know where, as the writer left out the first page of his correspondent.

The citizens of our town have organized a board of trade, and we hope it will prove a great success as we need something of this kind to help build up the town.

Jim Cost, the 18 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cost, of the Kingdom, died at the home of his parents last Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock after an illness of four weeks with typhoid fever. He was buried Saturday in the Johnson cemetery. Rev. G. T. Harris, of this place, conducting the funeral services. The Advocate extends sympathy to the bereaved family.

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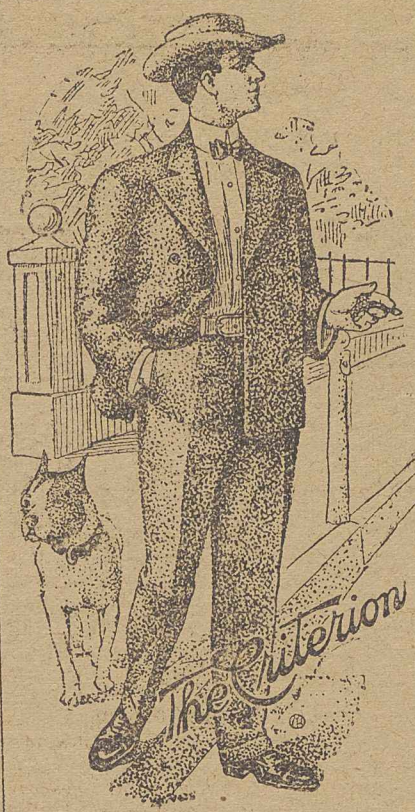
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That will satisfy both in  
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We are receiving the Swellest Line of Spring Suits ever brought to Columbiana. Come in and let us fit you up with a stylish suit at a small cost.

We have the most up-to-date line of Low Cuts in town—We can fit you in the style Shoe you prefer.

We have just received 1500 yards of Apron Gingham in all colors, which we are offering at 4 cents per yard.

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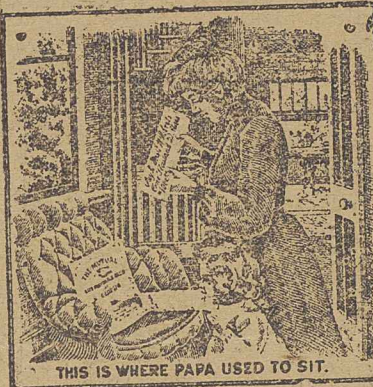
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Home office—Athens, Ga.

John A. Dorwin, Sec & Treas.

## THE SHELBY COUNTY DIVISION OF The Mutual Life Industrial Association OF GEORGIA.

PROTECTION AT HOME FOR WIDOWS AND ORPHANS.



### OFFICERS:

Dr. B. H. Smothers, President,  
Wilsonville, Ala.

W. L. Farley, Cashier, Columbi-  
ana Savings Bank, Secretary and  
Treasurer, Columbiana, Ala.

## The Poor Man's Friend.

Insurance at actual cost. Insurance that suits the masses. Insurance for men and women from sixteen to sixty. One thousand members constitute a Division. One thousand dollars the limit of Policy. Money kept at home in your local bank. Paid to the member that dies as soon as satisfactory proof of death is received at home office. One-fourth of the amount due on the Policy can be paid within twenty-four hours and the remainder in thirty days.

### Cost to Join.

		One year from the date of policy and annually thereafter the annual dues are:	
Class A—Ages 16 to 30	\$4.00	Class A—Ages 16 to 30	\$1.00
Class B—Ages 30 to 40	5.00	Class B—Ages 30 to 40	1.25
Class C—Ages 40 to 50	6.00	Class C—Ages 40 to 50	1.50
Class D—Ages 50 to 55	7.00	Class D—Ages 50 to 55	1.75
Class E—Ages 55 to 60	8.00	Class E—Ages 55 to 60	2.00

The above membership fees are paid only one

The above membership fees are paid only one time. Of these amount one dollar shall be placed in the hands of the local Secretary and Treasurer as an advanced assessment to meet the first death loss in above Division.

### INDORSEMENT OF JUDGE A. P. LONGSHORE:

I have been requested several times to make a statement as to what I thought of the Mutual Life Industrial Association of Georgia, but have declined to do so until now. I have been making an investigation for the past six months as to the merits of the Association, and have reached the conclusion that it is the Safest and Cheapest Insurance offered to the people. I have taken Three Thousand Dollars in it and take pleasure in recommending it to the people.

A. P. LONGSHORE.

Reliable Men Wanted to Represent this Popular Company. Apply to  
GEO. M. WEBB, State Agent for Alabama.

2430 5th Avenue,  
Birmingham, Alabama.

or T. A. LEATHERS,  
Division Agent, Columbiana, Ala.

First application written in Shelby County, April 26, 1904. We haven't had a single death in the Division and all it has cost the policy holders up to this time is their membership fee.

## Birmingham Title and Guaranty Company.

Complete Abstract Of Shelby County.

Abstracts of Title, Certificates of Title,

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—TITLE—

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J. K. BROCKMAN, General Manager, BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

W. J. HORSLEY, Local Manager, Columbiana, Alabama.

### Notice!

The State of Alabama, Shelby Co.  
Notice is hereby given, that on the 27th day of February, 1905, upon the report and application of Wesley Ozley, Administrator of the estate of John W. Naish, deceased, said estate was declared insolvent, and that on the 3rd day of April, 1905, at a term of the Probate Court of said County to be held in Columbiana, said Wesley Ozley, Administrator aforesaid, will make a final settlement of his administration of said estate, as required by the order of said Court, when and where all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they see proper, and may also select an administrator de bonis non.  
Witness my hand, this 27th day of February, 1905.

A. P. LONGSHORE,  
Judge of Probate.

W. A. PARKER'S  
LIVERY, FEED & SALE STABLE.  
Columbiana, Alabama.



## ARMY CHAPLAIN

## SEVERE KIDNEY AND BLADDER TROUBLE.

CHAPLAIN D. L. JAYCOX.

### HALF OUR ILLS ARE CATARRH.

Thousands of People Have Kidney Trouble and Don't Know It Is Catarrh.

Mr. David L. Jaycox, Chaplain (Retired) U. S. Army, and Chaplain G. A. R., 865 Broadway, Oakland, Cal., writes: "I am an old war veteran. I contracted severe bladder and kidney trouble. I spent hundreds of dollars and consulted a host of doctors, but neither did me any good. "Peruna has proven the best medicine I ever used. My pains are gone and I believe myself to be cured. I feel well and would not be without a bottle in time of need for ten times its cost."

Hundreds of war veterans have kidney and bladder trouble. Impure drinking water, sleeping on the ground, and all manner of exposures to wet and cold weather produced catarrh of the kidneys and bladder.

They have doctored with every conceivable drug, but have not been cured. It was not until Peruna came into use, however, that these old soldiers found a remedy that would actually cure them. More cases of catarrh of kidneys and bladder have been cured by Peruna than all other medicines combined. Address Dr. S. B. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanatorium, Columbus, Ohio, and he will be pleased to give you the benefit of his medical advice gratis. All correspondence held strictly confidential.

## The Demand For Water Power

How Waterfalls Enable the World, While Increasing Its Machinery, to Spare Coal Supplies. By Garrett P. Serviss.

EVERY day sees more and more of the wasted power of waterfalls, which lies at man's disposal in every hilly or mountainous country, turned to use in furnishing electric energy. The power of waterfalls is driving the greatest of all tunnels, the double Simpson bore, through the Alps; it is sending another tunnel, by devious ways, behind precipices and under glaciers, to the summit of the snowy Jungfrau; and a plan is now being perfected for constructing, once more with the aid of waterfalls, and to be run by them, when finished, a rival to the Simpson road, which shall cross the Alps between Turin and Martigny.

Everybody knows what Niagara is doing, and how the waterfalls of California, and of other mountainous states are being harnessed. A. A. Campbell Swinton, at the recent meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science, presented accurate statistics, which he had personally collected, showing that no less than one million, five hundred thousand horse power derived from waterfalls is now being utilized in various parts of the world for the development of electric energy. Of this great total, which he believed did not represent the full truth, for he thought it probable that the real aggregate is two million horse power, nearly one-third must be credited to the United States.

There is one feature of this utilization of water power in place of steam power, which Mr. Swinton brought out, and which is seldom thought of, and that is the saving of coal which it effects. On the basis of two million horse power derived from water falls, this saving amounts to nearly twelve million tons of coal per year.

But the maximum amount of water power that is available has not yet begun to be approached in actual utilization, so that the annual saving of coal must become larger and larger every year. This in view of the increasing difficulty of working many coal mines, owing to the great depths to which they have penetrated, and in view of the approaching exhaustion of some of the most famous fields, becomes a highly important consideration. Every little while the world is reminded, more or less sensationally, of a coming coal famine. The fact is that coal, of the better grades, possesses so many advantages and conveniences as a fuel that the earth's supplies of it should be conserved for human use as long as possible. Men of science have more than once sounded a warning against the waste of coal, for coal is the gift of the geologic age which can not be renewed. Thus waterfalls, by enabling us to spare coal, are performing an indirect service only less important than their direct service in supplying electric power. But for them the growing use of electricity would soon make a drain upon the coal mines of the most serious character.

The era of waterfalls seems certainly to have dawned. Every great cataract will become a focus of industry, just as every great river valley has always been a center of population, and Professor Brigham's prediction, that Niagara is to be the industrial center of America, may be fulfilled within a generation. —Success.

## How New Yorkers Talk.

By Richard Holbrook.

UNaffected New Yorker ever has a broad a in words like grass, half, master, nor have several dialects in North England. New Yorkers say "dooty" for duty, "toon" for tune, "noo" for new, "Loocy" for Lucy; so do some Englishmen, as everybody knows who has read Dickens and Thackeray. In England, however, this pronunciation is not that of most gentlemen. And any New Yorker will hear duty, suit, new, etc., rightly—or shall we say differently?—pronounced if he go south of Mason's and Dixon's line. New Yorkers turn two separate vowels into one. This real becomes "reel" and duel is almost if not quite "dool." The visiting American girl who says "reel pretty" is one of the stock characters of English fiction.

Unlike the Scotchman, and unlike the people of the region just mentioned, the New Yorker never trills or burrs his r's. In New York the letter r has scarcely a perceptible roll, so "here becomes almost heat unless immediately followed by a vowel, as in "here's," also "formerly" and "formally" have precisely the same sound; yet, queerly enough, our genuine New Yorker will say "I saw a man." This phenomenon, however, seems to occur only after an a. Like some New Englanders, and like some southern Englishmen, New Yorkers of the old stock say w'at, w'ich, w'en, w'ile, w'arf and w'ale for what, which, when, while, wharf and whale; but the schools are apparently driving this pronunciation out. Well bred New Yorkers pronounce pretty distinctly their participles in ing, but the common people turn such words as going, doing, seeing and falling into "go-in," "do-un," "see-un" and "fall-in." —Metropolitan.

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## COMMISSIONER GARFIELD'S REPORT

It is Found to Be Favorable to the Great Packers.

The report of Commissioner of Corporations Garfield on the beef industry, after about eight months' investigation in Chicago and elsewhere, shows that there has been an enormous amount of exaggeration in the statements that have appeared for some time past in regard to the beef business. This investigation was set on foot by a resolution of the House of Representatives adopted March 7, 1904, and the ascertained facts after a most rigid examination of the methods and general conduct of the business are contained in a report covering 308 pages. Its figures and tables conclusively show that the popular belief in enormous profits made by the large packers, such as Armour & Co., Swift & Co. and Nelson Morris & Co., and in the exclusive control of the business which many think they enjoy, is really without foundation.

The report made to President Roosevelt by Commissioner Garfield is really the first official statement of the actual conditions of the beef business that has been made, and as all the conclusions arrived at are based, as shown by him, upon data officially obtained, there seems to be no reason why they should not be regarded as reliable and in all respects trustworthy.

This report shows why the price of both cattle and beef advanced to the highest level ever known after the short corn crop of 1901, and states that because of the decrease in number of cattle and also in decreased weight, "the high prices of beef which caused so much complaint among consumers at this time were attributable wholly to these abnormal cattle prices."

All the figures of the live weight and live cost of all dressed beef cattle were obtained from actual killing records, and all information of every kind obtained by the Commissioner was voluntarily and freely offered by the packers, all books of record and papers connected with the business having been placed at his disposal.

To make certain that the results of the investigation should be absolutely accurate, the Commissioner states that a double method of ascertaining profits was adopted, and, without going into detail here, it is found that the conclusion arrived at shows an average profit of 90 cents per head. The Commissioner says "the close parallelism in the results of the two methods of ascertaining the profits confirms completely the correctness of the general conclusions." It is clearly established that "Western packers do not control more than half of the beef supply of the United States," the conclusion of the Commissioner being that the business done by them amounts to "about 45 per cent." of the total slaughter of the country.

The whole report is extremely interesting and well worthy of careful perusal. As an official report it may be regarded as worthy of confidence, and it certainly leads the reader to the conclusion arrived at by the Commissioner when he states that "the capitulation of none of these concerns is falterless as compared with its actual investment," and that from thorough and rigid examination of original entries in books and papers to which he had access there was also "indirect evidence that the profits of the packers 'in their beef business are less than is frequently supposed,' as shown by comparison between the total profits and the total amount of sales.

### Fashions in Shoes.

In the ninth and tenth centuries the greatest princes of Europe wore wooden shoes. In the reign of William Rufus of England, in the eleventh century, a great dandy, "Robert the Horned," used shoes with sharp points, stuffed with tow and twisted like rams' horns. The Romans made use of two kinds of shoes, the solea, or sandal, which covered the sole of the foot and was worn at home and in company, and the calceus, which covered the whole foot and was always worn with the toga when one went abroad. Greek shoes were peculiar in reaching to the middle of the legs. Slippers were in use before Shakespeare's time and were originally made "rights" and "lefts." Shoes among the Jews were made of leather, linen, rush or wood; soldiers' shoes were sometimes made of brass or iron. In the reign of Richard II shoes were of such absurd length as to require to be supported by being tied to the knees with chains, sometimes of gold or silver. In 1463 the English parliament took the matter in hand and passed an act forbidding shoes with spikes more than two inches in length being worn and manufactured. The present styles of shoes were introduced into England in 1633.

### Migratory Whales.

Professor Goldob has been telling the Christian Academy of Science the results of his investigations into the migrations of whales. These creatures hang about the coast of Norway and Finland until the spring is well advanced, and then go away on their travels. Some go to the Azores, and they cover these enormous distances in an incredibly short time. Some of them bring back harpoons which bear the names of ships and other evidences of where these migrants have been during their summer holidays.

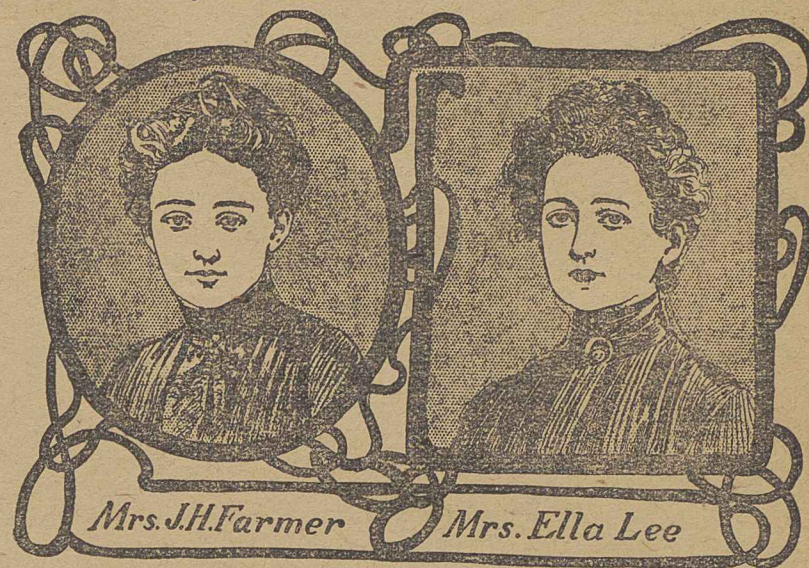
The great Chinese wall is 1,250 miles long.

### Effects of Prosperity.

In the six years of the country's greatest prosperity, from 1897 to 1903, average prices of breadstuffs advanced 65 per cent.; meats, 23.1 per cent.; dairy and garden products, 50.1 per cent., and clothing 24.1. All these were products of the farmer and stockman, who profited more than any other class of the community by these advances. The miner benefited 42.1 per cent. by that advance in the average price of metals. The only decrease in the average price of commodities in that period was in railway freight rates, which decreased from .798 per ton-mile in 1897 to .763 in 1903, a loss of 4.4 per cent. The report of the Interstate Commerce Commission shows that the average increase in the pay of railroad employees in that period was a trifle above 8.5 per cent.

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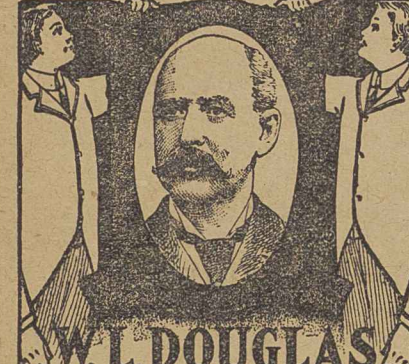
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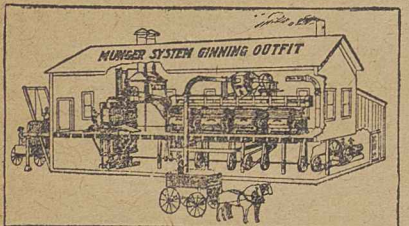
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